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Project tackling binge drinking closes down due to positive change in attitude

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South Somerset District Council and police licensing departments have been asked to promote the "Zero values" as best practice to any business or or-

ganisation wishing to hold their own under 18.

If you require any further information about The Zero Project, contact Shirley Courage on 01935 462439, email Zero@southsomerset.gov.uk or visit www.southsomerset.gov.uk/zero



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SIDMOUTH: Ken Livingstone, the former Mayor of London, is one of the speakers at a fundraising lunch for Sidmouth Literary Festival



HONITON: Alice Simpson, who runs the Creation Station, won a national award for inspiring more than 1,000 children in arts and crafts



OTTERY ST MARY: Karen Hill has opened an old-fashioned confectionery shop, Sweet Memories, on Broad Street



AXMINSTER: Andy Trott, former PCSO, has left Devon and Cornwall Police after ten years' service for a role in estate management

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Quotes of the week...

“Not many cars can withstand being in a collision like that when stationary and we all walked away, apart from Clara who is yet to walk anywhere!”

Daniel Haines of Ilminster, whose family was uninjured when their BMW was sandwiched in a three-vehicle collision in Wales. Clara is just four-months-old

“It is very good fun... we just need to practice a lot.”

Anne Bright, chairman of Crewkerne & District University of the Third Age and a member of its new ukelele group

“It does make one wonder whether or not the women of Ilminster have all decided to go braless!”

Claire Hebron Wheatley, who has a Rotary bra bank sited in her hairdressing salon. The bras go to Africa while cancer charities receive a donation based on their weight

IN YOUR
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VIEW THIS
WEEK

SPORT Running



◆ **MARATHON MAN:** Experienced long-distance runner Bernie Genge (pictured left), from Chard, has joined an exclusive club after completing his 100th marathon on Sunday, April 3rd in Taunton, finishing in 16th spot in a time of three hours, 14 minutes and 46 seconds.



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AXMINSTER

Guildhall finances under the spotlight

AXMINSTER Guildhall management has investigated financial discrepancies, but says it will not be possible to recover the losses.

The losses are revealed in the annual Axminster Guildhall Management Committee report by chairman Tony Fells.

The report was presented during Axminster's Annual Parish Meeting, and stated: "Regrettably, in December 2015 we became aware that there were negative discrepancies between hire charges due and monies received. This has impinged on the 2014/15 accounts and, to a far lesser extent, will do so in the 2015/16 accounts."

"The matter has been fully investigated, however, it has not been possible to establish exactly how these have arisen and it is not possible to take further action to recover the losses."

"The new manager, Steve Moody, has been tasked with ensuring that similar discrepancies are not possible in the future."

Mr Fells, report also revealed that the hall's two fundraisers last year made losses.

The report explained: "Our income has not been as robust as the previous year."

"This has been compounded by the fact that our two fundraising events, the ice rink – which all acknowledged was a good community event – and the Dream Boys event, both failed to live up to expectations and made losses."

The sums involved were not revealed in the report, but in December it was reported that Axminster Guildhall Management Committee would need a town council grant of about £5,000.

Reduced bar takings was given as the reason, and town clerk Hilary Kirkcaldie said at the time that the council used to make an annual grant to Axminster Guildhall Management Committee to cover running costs.

From the editor's chair Poacher turns gamekeeper?



WE had to raise a smile in the office when we read that Seaton Mayor, former journalist Tony Woodman, had censured one of his councillors for writing a letter to this newspaper.

Our minds went back to the mayor's early days as a councillor. He was not adverse to rattling a few cages and *Pulman's View* was criticised for encouraging him to do so. As if we would?

Having served as First Citizen in my home town many years ago, I have some sympathy with my former newspaper colleague. It is extremely difficult to maintain your principles as a journalist holding public figures to account but also protecting the many confidential items that end up on the council chairman's desk.

For that reason, I only served one year as mayor and left the council soon after. I have been encouraged to stand for council again on a number of occasions but have always maintained the view that I could not carry out my duties as boss of this newspaper group and serve the public in a right and proper fashion.

Just as well really because you are never

going to win popularity awards as a newspaper editor and almost certainly I would not get elected. Councillor Woodman retired from journalism some time ago and ran a business in Seaton where he was very vociferous about the lack of support which came from the council chamber for the town's trading community.

If I recall he was pretty well against the new Seaton Jurassic Centre, advocating that it should be in a more central position. As the town's First Citizen, his position has changed somewhat, welcoming the facility and accepting it will bring thousands of people to Seaton every year.

Councillor Woodman is no longer a Seaton trader and has been able to concentrate his efforts on promoting the town at every opportunity. His elevation to the top council job came as a surprise to many. But Tony has reined in his views which made him a bit of a rebel in the Town Hall.

It will soon be time to elect the Seaton mayor for the coming year and it will be interesting to see if Cllr Woodman seeks re-election.

PHILIP EVANS

HONITON

New chairman for town's traders

HONITON'S popular Chamber of Commerce chairman, Colin Wright, has decided to step down from the role with his deputy Tony McCollum set to take over.

Mr Wright has been a member of the chamber for 12 years and chairman for eight. He is stepping down from the position to spend more time with his family.

At the chamber's annual meeting in March, he was awarded the title of honorary president for his services to the group.

Mr Wright said: "Being elected as chairman at an AGM all those years ago came as a complete surprise and really was a roller coaster learning curve."

"I'd like to thank a great team around me, the

blow was softened by the help of the committee and I shall always be extremely grateful for their support over many years."

He continued: "My time as chairman has been a fantastic experience and I have met so many amiable people – both locally and in businesses – all over the country."

Mr Wright said one of the highlights of his time in charge was last year's Christmas light display.

"It was extremely rewarding to discuss a proposal at committee meeting and finally see it come to a satisfactory conclusion."

"I will give our new chairman, Tony McCollum, all the support he needs whilst being able to take more time out to spend with the family and undertake new projects at home."

SEATON

'Pollution' letter upsets the mayor

SEATON mayor Tony Woodman issued a stern warning after a town councillor's letter to this newspaper allegedly breached protocol and "embarrassed" the council.

The councillor involved, Martin Shaw, has accepted the order not to write letters in his capacity as a councillor, but feels he should have a right to do so.

It started when Councillor Shaw, who was co-opted in September last year, wrote a letter following a story in this paper about pollution of a brook near his house in Old Beer Road, Seaton.

He took issue with an Environment Agency statement and claimed the pollution came from a specific farm, signing the letter as Councillor Martin Shaw.

A company based at the farm denied the allegation on the following week's letter page and the farmer involved, Robert Reed, wrote directly to Seaton Town Council.

Mr Reed has sent *Pulman's View* a copy of the letter he sent to Seaton Town Council on March 16th.

He wrote: "I wish to ask councillors if the allegations made against Gatcombe Farm by Cllr Martin Shaw are shared by the council as a whole?"

"May I ask that before writing potentially libellous letters to the paper, the council or individual councillors get their facts right."

Mr Reed's letter was not read out at a meeting of the council on March 21st, and the questions he asked were not referred to. But the mayor, Cllr Woodman, who chaired the meeting, was clearly unhappy with his fellow councillor's letter.

He sternly said: "One letter caused some embarrassment to the council. It has been pointed out before that we don't write letters to the press as councillors. I would implore councillors not to make any contact with the press as councillors."

Cllr Shaw was not present at the meeting, nor was he named by the mayor as the councillor who wrote the letter. But when asked for comment by *Pulman's View*, Cllr Shaw said: "Residents expect councillors to use their positions to speak out about issues like the repeated pollution of our stream. I think it is wrong that I am unable to comment as a councillor."

SOUTH SOMERSET

End to booze project after eight years

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Hopes that 'positive decision' on Hinkley Point C will be made soon

by Peter Hodges
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SOMERSET County Council and partners have welcomed last week's positive comments from EDF Energy chief executive, Vincent de Rivaz, that Hinkley Point C will go ahead.

It was reported last week that some of the Hinkley Point C nuclear power station engineers had called for a two-year delay and a redesign of the station. EDF denied these rumours and reiterated their desire to have the first reactor fixed by 2025.

Mr Rivaz was speaking in front of parliament's Energy and Climate Change Committee and his comments have been welcomed by deputy leader of Somerset County Council, Councillor David Hall. Councillor Hall said: "It is clear to see now just how close EDF Energy and the British and French governments are to that all important final investment decision. Today's committee meeting and the recent support for Hinkley Point C shown by both governments give us confidence that a positive decision will be made very soon."

In recent weeks both British and French governments have reiterated their support for the project which will supply low carbon electricity, meeting seven per cent of the UK's needs. It will also enable the restart of new nuclear construction in Britain with important consequences and benefits for successive new nuclear projects, as well as for jobs and skills.

However, the project has been hit with controversy within the last month with two high ranking members of staff at EDF Energy resigning stating their ambition to "protect the future of the French company".

Councillor Hall added: "Somerset County Council and Heart of the South West Local Enterprise Partnership (LEP) continue to work together in support of a final investment decision for the Hinkley Point C site in Bridgwater."

Chairman of the Heart of the South West LEP, Steve Hindley, said: "A green light for the Hinkley

development will be of regional and national importance, positioning the Heart of the South West as the market leader for the UK's future energy security. We are looking to the government and EDF Energy to continue their efforts to help achieve the final investment decision soon.

"The LEP's role is to drive economic growth, and Hinkley Point has the potential to have a huge impact - generating £20billion investment with 60 per cent projected supply chain opportunities, creating 25,000 jobs during construction and £100million a year for the regional economy."

However, a recent article by the *International Business Times* raised doubts about the cost of Hinkley Point C to the British taxpayer. EDF would pay two thirds of the £18billion price tag and the French-Chinese deal would see EDF being paid a guaranteed electricity price of £92.50 per megawatt hour price for 35 years. This is three times the present wholesale price of £33 per megawatt hour and will be indexed to inflation.

Analysts have worked out that the cheaper Hitachi design, which would still require subsidies funded from the British tax payer, would save Britain around £500million a year or £17billion over 35 years.

Somerset Chamber chief executive, Dale Edwards, said: "Whilst we await the final investment decision from EDF Energy, we are continually working behind the scenes with partners and businesses, helping to get local suppliers 'Hinkley ready' so that they are in a strong position to bid for and win future contracts."

Success for council's microchipping events

TWO free microchipping events organised by South Somerset District Council are being hailed a success after a total of 197 dogs were microchipped.

The microchipping event at Yeovil Country Park attracted a total of 102 dogs, whilst a further 95 were chipped at Ham Hill Country Park. All breeds of dogs from Chihuahuas to Huskies and from ages ten weeks to 14 years old were successfully microchipped before new legislation comes into effect tomorrow (Wednesday) requiring all dogs to be microchipped.

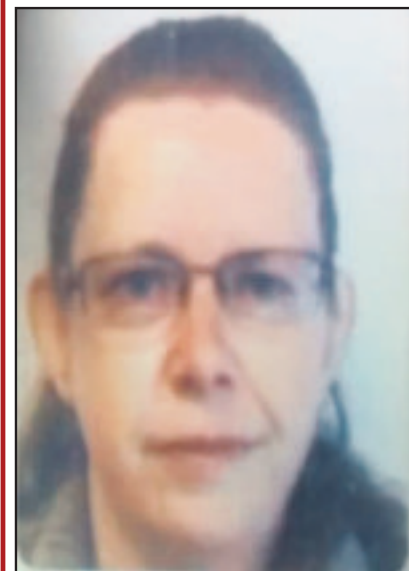
Vicki Dawson, principal environmental protection officer at South Somerset District Council, said: "We were delighted at the turn out of those who wanted their dog microchipped. Hopefully the numbers of dogs that can be successfully and quickly returned to their owners will increase."

The Microchip of Dogs (England) Regulations 2015 will require all dogs over eight weeks old to be microchipped by April 6th or face a possible fine of £500.

Microchips are the size of a grain of rice and have a unique 15-digit code which is linked to the owner's name and address. Benefits of the new legislation include the ability to reunite dogs with their owners much more easily, should they go missing for any reason.

The council's environmental health spokesman, Councillor Carol Goodall, said: "We didn't expect so many people to take up the opportunity of getting their dog microchipped, but we are pleased that in South Somerset, a vast number of dog owners have complied with the incoming legislation."

Body found in search for missing woman



POLICE have found a body in their search for missing South Chard woman Amanda Cross.

The body was found in the Green Lane area on Wednesday afternoon, just a day after Amanda, 47, went missing. Although formal identification has not yet taken place, police believe it to be Amanda.

A police spokesperson said: "The death is not being treated as suspicious and Amanda's next of kin have been informed. We're offering them all the support they need at this very difficult time."

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Dredging continues along River Parrett

SOMERSET Rivers Authority (SRA) is to mark the successful completion of 2.2km of maintenance dredging along the River Parrett by following on with 750 metres of new dredging.

The Parrett Internal Drainage Board (IDB) and the Environment Agency have worked as SRA partners to make sure that dredging continues as efficiently as possible, with only a break for Easter and site and compound handovers.

The dredges are designed to reduce the risks of flooding and protect Somerset people – their homes, businesses and roads.

The Parrett IDB was funded by the SRA to spec-

ify and supervise maintenance dredging upstream of Northmoor Pumping Station.

It's the biggest dredge the Parrett IDB has ever done. Equipment used included a 300-tonne crane, a 45-tonne excavator with a reach of 22 metres, and a tug boat for pushing and pulling hopper barges loaded with silt by machines placed on floating pontoons.

Councillor John Osman, Somerset Rivers Authority chairman, said: "Many thanks to the Parrett IDB for managing the delivery of this vital piece of work on time and within budget – and to the Environment Agency for supporting this maintenance

dredge on a main river. It's a splendid example of partners working within the SRA to protect Somerset communities."

Peter Maltby, Parrett IDB chairman, added: "I'm very proud of the work that the Parrett IDB and our contractors WM Longreach have done for the SRA and the people of Somerset. We've done a lot to maintain the benefits of the £6million dredging of the Parrett and Tone that was done after the awful floods in 2014."

New dredging downstream of Northmoor pumping station is due to begin in April. SRA funding has enabled the Environment Agency to award a contract for designing and carrying out this project to Galliford Try, Black & Veatch and Land & Water. These two companies completed the 8km 2014 dredge of the Parrett and Tone. Work over

the next few months will mostly be done from floating platforms on the river, with a short section being completed from the bank.

The SRA is working on a dredging strategy to establish the most cost-effective techniques and sites for future schemes. To achieve further benefits, the SRA is also funding the monitoring of silt build-up so that future maintenance dredging can be done at the best times and locations.

The SRA's 2015/16 interim funding from the government, Somerset councils and the Somerset Drainage Boards Consortium, plus the SRA's Growth Deal money from the Heart of the South West Local Enterprise Partnership, are being used to pay for the 2.2km maintenance dredge and the forthcoming 750m new dredge.

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Ilminster family say it's a 'miracle' they escaped crash

AN ILMINSTER family are calling it a miracle that they escaped without injury after being involved in a three-vehicle smash on the outskirts of Cardiff.

Daniel Haines, his wife Tracy and their two young daughters, Leela, aged 21 months, and Clara, aged just four months old, were in their BMW and had stopped at some traffic lights when another car collided with them, which sent them into the back of another car.

Daniel said: "We feel very very lucky. The car can easily be replaced, but the main thing is that we are all ok apart from a few aches, pains, bumps and bruises."

Emergency services were called to the A4232 southbound at Culverhouse Cross near Cardiff at just before 12.15pm on Saturday, April 2nd.

While the Haines family was uninjured in the incident, another woman had to be cut free from her car by South Wales Fire and Rescue Service and was taken to hospital with a broken leg.

A fire service spokesman said that nine people in total had been involved in the incident and that, other than the woman with the broken leg, there were no other significant injuries.

Daniel said he believed that he and his family were lucky to get out unscathed due to the fact that they were in a BMW.

"People can say what they like about BMWs and their drivers, but yesterday proved to me that it is exactly the type of car I want



■ **CLOSE SHAVE:** The Haines' BMW following the incident near Cardiff

for me and my family," he said.

"Not many cars can withstand being in a collision like that when stationary and we all walked away, apart from Clara who is yet to walk anywhere!"

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Great weather for duck at Easter Sunday race

IT was great weather for ducks but crowds still turned out to support the 16th annual duck race in aid of South Petherton Carnival on Easter Sunday.

Hundreds of plastic ducks made their way down the stream through the village. In some years the ducks have slowly meandered their way down the water, but with heavy rain over the weekend the stream was running fast and the "competitors" took no time at all to complete the course, and members of the Devon and Somerset Fire and Rescue Service were on hand at the start of the race to pump some extra water into the stream to give the ducks a helping hand.

A giant Easter Bunny mingled with the crowds and handed out chocolate treats, while the results of the duck race were announced at a packed Brewers Arms in South Petherton.

Owner of the winning duck was Elliott Benyon who claimed the £100 first prize, while Zak Richards was runner-up winning £50, and birthday girl Kara Storey was third winning £25.

Overall the duck race raised £1,000 for South Petherton Carnival funds. Organisers would like to thank everyone for taking part and their continued support.

Children join Easter egg hunt

CHILDREN and their families enjoyed an Easter egg hunt at Ilminster Recreation Ground despite the poor weather.

The hunt was held on Easter Sunday, this year co-ordinated by the Party on the Park organisers and Ilminster Lions. Children searched for letters located at various spots around the recreation ground and then had to spell out an Easter-themed message.

Funds raised from the event will go towards the costs for this summer's Party on the Park event which will be held on Sunday, August 28th.

Eggs and bonnets galore as South



■ CHILDREN, staff, parents and families from South Petherton Infants & Pre-School gathered in church for an Easter service and bonnet parade. The children all looked wonderful in their bonnets and they all sang a mixture of Easter and spring songs for a packed church.



■ TOP SPOTS: The winners and runners-up

ENTRIES ranged from baby chicks to Star Wars theme in Neroche Primary School's annual Easter egg competition.

The children of the school council were the judges for the event and, at a special assembly, presented winners with a chocolate Easter egg and the runners-up with a chocolate bunny.

Kizzie, a Year 6 school councillor, said: "Choosing the winners was

so hard as lots of the eggs were really funny. Well done everyone."

Headteacher Connel Boyle added: "I am so grateful to our children from the school council who have acted with such great maturity in running this competition."

"Their own idea of making all of the entries anonymous was a super idea that ensured complete fair play, I am so proud of them."

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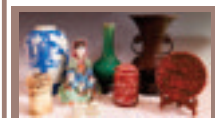
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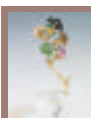
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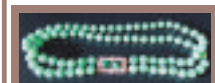


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Guests invited to museum to mark start of new season



CHARD Museum started its new season with an open view for invited guests on Wednesday, March 23rd.

Chairman of trustees Vince Lean welcomed those attending the private view. He said that one aim for the season is to recruit more members to the museum's group of friends.

Mr Lean added: "A museum is more like a business today. We have to think of it as a business."

Tongue-in-cheek he told those present: "What I'm looking for is lots of money in the donation box. There is no such thing as a free drink these days!"

Opening hours are 10am to 4pm Monday to Friday and from 10am to 1pm on Saturdays. Last admission is 30 minutes before closing time.

Pictured top left, chairman of trustees Vince Lean and trustee Gwyneth Jackson, and bottom left, Mr Lean addresses the guests.



Busy period for Chard Inner Wheel

THE end of last year and the start of 2016 proved very busy for members of Chard Inner Wheel.

November saw a cosmetic demonstration and talk by Sandra Sayer from Mary Kay Cosmetics, and two first round skittles matches of the inter-Inner Wheel clubs.

Chard played Bridport first and were in a very convincing lead until Bridport pulled out all the stops on the last end, scoring heavily with three double figure hands. Chard's second match, against Crewkerne, was a close game and, effectively, a friendly one as both clubs had been beaten by Bridport.

Mary Gale completed her sponsored swim and raised a total of £230 for the Inner Wheel charities, Chard and Crewkerne After Stroke Group and the Rainbow Centre for Children.

December saw a shopping trip to Bath Christmas market and a mulled wine and mince pie fundraising morning at the home of president Anne Arnolds.

Several members joined forces with Chard Rotary, carol singing to shoppers at Tesco.

The December meeting, held at its usual venue of Hornsbury Mill, was a relaxed and informal affair with the Secret Santa gifts being distributed.

The ladies of the club joined forces again with Chard Rotary when Carols by Candlelight were held at Chard Methodist Church where pupils from Chard School sang to the congregation.

The year ended with many members collecting at Tesco for School in a Bag as part of a district fundraising event as it had been 10 years since the tsunami in India.

January saw a trip to watch "The Bodyguard" at Bristol's Hippodrome, which was enjoyed by all.

At the following month's meeting the speaker was Patrick Stokes whose talk was about Jane Austen's family, Patrick's great-great-grandfather being Jane's youngest brother, Admiral Charles Austen. Patrick chaired the national Jane Austen Society from 2001-2009, and organises Jane Austen conferences etc.

If you are interested in joining Chard Inner Wheel, contact president Anne Arnold on 01460 67797.



■ THE girls of 2nd Chard Girls' Brigade have been delighted to receive their annual awards. The girls, who meet each week on a Monday evening at the Methodist Church in Fore Street, were rewarded for all their hard work. They had completed several badges over the past 12 months gaining awards in badges such as IT, co-operation, world needs, card making and stewardship. Company awards were also given out to girls who deserved a special commendation from the officers. The company has vacancies for girls aged from four years. Anyone interested should contact Captain Mandy Slingsby by emailing manslings@aol.com

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Chard runner completes 100th marathon

EXPERIENCED long-distance runner Bernie Genge, from Chard, has joined an exclusive club after completing his 100th marathon on Sunday, April 3rd in Taunton.

Bernie, of Chard Road Runners, finished the Taunton Marathon in 16th spot in a time of three hours, 14 minutes and 46 seconds.

He said: "Thank you very much to everyone for their overwhelming support for today."

"It was a nervous two hours waiting for the start – never wanted a race to start as much as this one."

Bernie, 54, who can often be seen pounding the streets of Chard in his unstinting passion for long-distance running, completed his first marathon back in 2007.

He will now be looking forward to tackling his ninth London Marathon later this month on April 24th.

"I got a qualifying time today at Taunton for next year's London Marathon so the 2017 event will be my tenth and probably last London Marathon," said Bernie.

"Although I've now reached 100 marathons I've still got plenty of challenges for the future and going to do some ultra-marathons. I've already booked up to do a 50-miler, 64 and a 100!"

Despite having completed in so many marathons



■ **MARATHON MAN:** Bernie Genge (left) completes his 100th marathon in Taunton on Sunday

there is no doubting Bernie which his favourite is – Taunton.

His best-ever marathon time was achieved at Taunton in 2011 with two hours and 56 minutes, while he did his 50th there and now the 100th on what he regards as his "home" marathon.

It was apt that he was given the Number 100 shirt for Sunday's Taunton Marathon.

But Bernie added: "It wasn't until I was 200 metres from the finish that I really, really enjoyed it and then I wanted it to last a lot longer!"

He is now the latest member to join the 100 Marathon Club and the messages of best wishes have been flooding into social media sites congratulating him on his achievement.

■ **THE Oak Class of Buckland St Mary Primary School, near Chard, held a cake stall in aid of World Cancer Day. An amazing total of £115 was raised through donations and the purchasing of cakes. Class teacher Rachael Auton said that many of the children knew someone who had suffered from cancer or had very close family members who have just fought the disease or are fighting it now. "This inspired them into action, suggesting a cake stall to raise awareness and money," she added. "Their initiative and determination made me very proud with a truly fantastic outcome of £115!"**



■ **AT Winsham Primary School, the children love reading so over half term the pupils here raised more than £170 by asking people to sponsor them for reading a wide variety of texts. Lily read the most varied texts, while Levi read for the longest time and Theo raised the most money. The school spent the money on some great new Usborne books for our school library.**

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Reflections Hair & Beauty

REFLECTIONS Hair & Beauty in Axminster have moved! Having been based in South Street for the past 13 years, Marie and the team have moved to a much larger premises in Chard Street.

The new Salon has been beautifully designed and has benefitted from the work of a number of local experts. The salon now boasts 10 hair stations, 2 treatment rooms, including a pedicure room and a massage room, a nail bar and an Aveda Experience Centre. The décor is beautifully eclectic and the 150 sq ft salon now boasts a much larger lounge area for customers to relax in.

The business owner, Marie England, would like to thank everyone that has made the move possible, especially her very own hard working team of stylists and therapists. Marie said, "We have an amazing team at Reflections. They all work so hard all year round and without them we wouldn't be where we are today."

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Indulge yourself in the ultimate colour experience with the colour specialists at Reflections Hair & Beauty who all benefit from advanced training and diplomas. You can be sure of a first class colour service.

As well as colour, they pride themselves on fantastic cutting with all their staff having advanced on-going training to keep up-to-date with new techniques and great classic cuts. This enables them to work with your hair to achieve beautiful, wearable hair that suits your lifestyle and you.

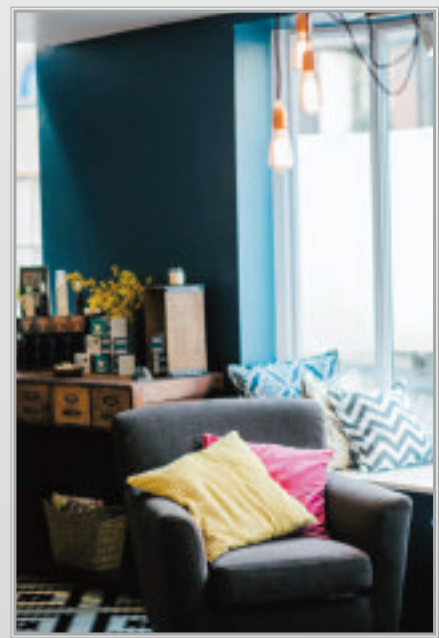
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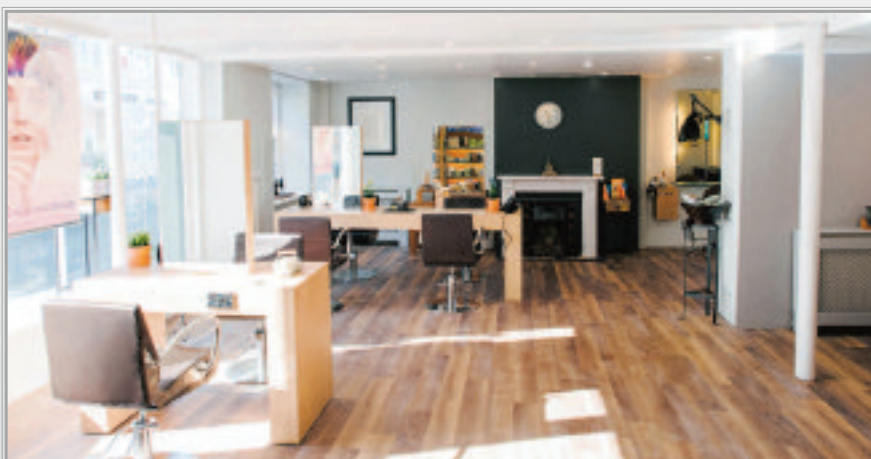
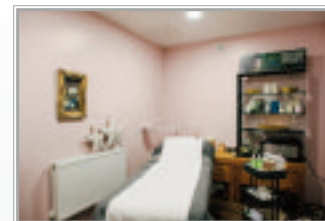
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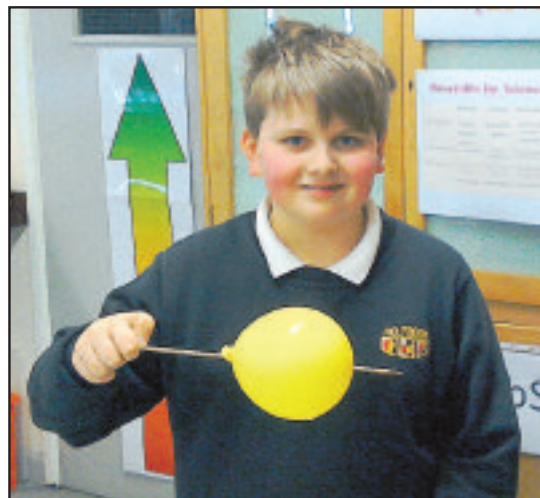


HOLYROOD Academy in Chard was the scene of non-stop science experiments last week, as part of National Science Week, which celebrates all things scientific.

The week started off with a bang with all Year 7 and 8 classes being treated to "Whizz-Bang Science" lessons.

Throughout the week, experiments were conducted during lessons and lunchtimes where students were able to learn more about aerodynamics, fire safety, and how much sugar really is in a Jelly Baby.

Science teacher Miss Rawlinson said: "This has been an incredible week! I am thrilled that so many staff and students got involved and am confident the Science Department has instilled an increased love for Science in everyone!"



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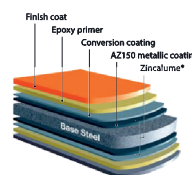
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LEAVING DO: Jeanette (fourth from left) clocks out

THE trustees and staff of the Henhayes Centre in Crewkerne have thanked Jeanette Farrant for five and a half years of sterling service as administrative assistant.

On retiring from the role she was presented with a garden token and a bouquet of flowers by chairman of trustees, Rosemary Prince, who said that Jeanette would be sorely missed.

Jeanette won't cut her ties with the centre, though, as she will return in a role as a volunteer.

The volume of admin work has increased during Jeanette's time as administrative assistant, as the centre has become busier with an

increase in hiring, the main source of income for the centre, and of its core activities based around the Monday Memory group and the Tuesday Welcome Group, both designed to provide companionship, entertainment and stimulation to the older population of Crewkerne.

The centre is pleased to welcome Annette Roffey, formerly deputy town clerk, who is taking over from Jeanette and she will be happy to assist both present and potential hirers as well as members with any queries they may have.

Harmonious start for U3A's ukulele group



EIGHT members of Crewkerne & District University of the Third Age (U3A) have given a chorus of approval to the organisation's new ukulele group.

It is a challenge for group leader Steven Brazier, given that some members have never played a musical instrument before, but the group has made a surprisingly harmonious start.

U3A chairman Anne Bright, who has joined the group, said: "It is very good fun, we have already learned a number of chords and can now strum along to some songs."

The group meets once a week on Thursday afternoons at the Crewkerne home of leader Steven, who is helped by his sister Louise.

"They are very patient and give us lots of practical advice and assistance. We just need to practice a lot," added Anne.

There are still places available and if anyone else is interested in joining they should contact group co-ordinator Vivienne Stuckey by emailing viviennepeter@btinternet.com

Museum opens for season

CREWKERNE & District Museum has opened for the new season, featuring a special exhibition called "Crewkerne Architecture – the economic driver", which outlines the story of why the buildings were created in the town at different periods in time.

Free fun activities for children will be available on Wednesday, April 6th to Friday, April 8th from 10am to 4pm.

Museum volunteer Janet Harris said: "Chicks to hunt, things to make all for free."

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Merriott couple lose 11 stones

MARTIN and Michelle Rowswell from Merriot, have lost a staggering 11 stones between them.

Martin was a diabetic with 6 1/2 stone to lose, was at serious risk with his health and about to be started on insulin injections as opposed to the tablets he was already taking to control his diabetes. Obesity is one of the greatest risk factors for type 2 diabetes accounting for 80 - 85% of the overall risk and people whose weight places them at high risk of diabetes can reduce their risk of developing the condition by 58% by losing just 7% of their body weight (Diabetes UK Statistics 2014)

Martin, who works for the local Council doing household cleaning in institutions such as local Schools, decided to take his health seriously and went along to his local Slimming World group, along with his wife, Michelle. Michelle who works part time as a waitress, also wanted to lose weight and support Martin in the process so they both attended the Crewkerne Friday morning group together. "We found the group to be so welcoming and friendly and soon felt part of our new Slimming World 'family' where members support each other, help each other with interesting food ideas and encourage each other to slim one day and one week at a time". Martin and Michelle were losing weight successfully every single week and soon slimmed their way to 6 1/2 stones lighter (Martin) and 4 1/2 stones lighter (Michelle)

Martin and Michelle have 2 young daughters and were concerned that their girls also ate healthily. Martin says "The great news was, that the food is so family friendly that no one would ever know that we were slimming as it is normal, family food that everyone can enjoy". Michelle loves to cook but also to make quick and easy meals of which the lovely Slimming World cookbooks, Magazine and online recipes are full of. Some family favourites are potato, ham and leek hash, curry and rice, cottage pie, and macaroni cheese. We can still enjoy the occasional packet of crisps without any guilt". "It really isn't like a diet at all, I have never felt hungry or deprived, I have slimmed my way to my target weight and the whole family are healthier now. We even enjoy going on walks together without any difficulty, and without getting breathless." Michelle says "Before I lost the weight I felt down and fed up, I couldn't wear the

clothes I wanted to but once we found the group, I felt encouraged every step of the way on my weight loss journey by my Consultant, Julie, and the other members and staying to group every week helped me achieve the success I enjoy today. Family and friends have noticed the difference in us both since losing the weight and we have encouraged others to come along to group to achieve their dreams too."

Martin's GP is delighted with his achievement and Martin has now come off some of his diabetic medication, with no need to start insulin injections. Martin says "It has been great to fit the advice from my Diabetes Care Team into Slimming World's eating plan and that the weight loss has had such a dramatic affect on my health and energy levels. I am certainly grateful that Michelle and I found Slimming World when we did and would strongly recommend anyone needing help with weight loss to come along to their local Slimming World group to find out more."

Our Friday morning group is changing to a 9.30am Monday mornings at the George Reynolds Centre from Monday 28th March and Julie looks forward to meeting you. Julie also runs 5.00pm & 7.00pm groups on Monday evenings. Anyone wishing to find out more about the Crewkerne Slimming World groups or any others can contact Julie on 07946 043473 or visit www.slimmingworld.com for other local groups



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■ **PLOTTING:** Beryl Bellamy and Gordon Hughes plan the season

A NEW growing season is about to start for Merriott Allotment Association (MAA) and a few plots are available.

Members are keen to start the growing season with a full take-up rate, so are encouraging potential new members to get in touch as soon as possible.

Plot holder Gordon Hughes said: "We are very friendly people. If you spend two hours here, you probably spend one of them chatting."

His fellow plot holder, Beryl Bellamy, said that joining the association could be ideal for people having downsized.

She explained: "Some people are downsizing from houses with big gardens to small ones or none at all."

Plots coming in two sizes, full or half, and the association is very flexible and can, for exam-

ple, split a full plot into two halves if necessary. Plot holders can have a shed or greenhouse.

Beryl added: "Some of us just grow flowers, others grow everything."

Gordon likes a bit of variety, and said: "It varies from year to year. You have good years for some crops when others don't do so well. I just couldn't grow carrots last year!"

He also grows a variety of potato, and jokingly referred to himself as "Potato Man".

Anyone interested in a plot should call Beryl on 01460 745 74.

The association holds an open day on Sunday, May 15th from 10am-4pm.

More information is available online on the website www.merriott-allotment-association.co.uk

READERS' LETTERS

Why the hike in VAT for solar installation?

■ I READ with interest the letter from Peter Lansdown of the Green Party (Tuesday, March 8th) about how the Green Party "works well with its partners in Brussels" and how "the EU Greens have made several achievements to their credit".

Perhaps Mr Lansdown can defend the devastation.....

No time to pretend we can go it alone

■ HATS off to Peter Lansdown for his letter urging our continued membership of the EU and for his efforts to help refugees in Calais. Clearly he is a man of action as well as words.

With the Middle East in turmoil and the world facing multiple problems, this is no time for sticking our heads in the sand and pretending we can go it alone.

As commemorations surrounding the death of Shakespeare come to a climax in April, we shall doubtless be treated to familiar quotations for the bard, extolling the victory of Henry V at Agincourt - 'Once more unto the breach' - and John of Gaunt's panegyric - 'This precious stone set in the silver sea . . . This blessed plot, this earth, this realm, this England'.

But, as I argue in my new book, Christopher Shakespeare, there is every reason to believe that the writer of the great plays was a fervent European, who not only spoke several languages and knew the geography of France, Italy, the Netherlands and probably Denmark, but spent much of his life in exile.

Anyone interested in learning the truth about our greatest playwright is invited to The Warehouse Theatre in Ilminster on Thursday, April 21st at 10am, when all will be revealed.

MALCOLM ELLIOTT,
Ilminster

ing effect of how his hallowed EU has steam-rolled legislation causing UK VAT on solar panels installations to be severely increased from five per cent to 20 per cent from August this year?

VAT is only levied at five per cent for electricity, gas and oil for domestic use so what is the reason for the hike?

As householders may have been able to afford an installation before this juncture, this has had the effect of destroying the fledgling alternative energy supply market. Contractors I have spoken to are now trying to make ends meet by finding other work.

The Green's website boasts of creating one million jobs in alternative energy over five years. In the run up to the very important EU referendum, perhaps it is a case of "vote Green, get Blue".

NEIL ARNOLD
(by email)

Thanks for supporting bowls club

■ MAY I through your newspaper thank everyone for their support at our recent coffee morning held to raise funds for our club, in particular a thank you to the shops in Axminster and Chard who generously gave donations for our tombola.

D. Eldridge,
Chairman, Chardstock Bowling Club

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Extra hours may be purchased at £3.80 per hour. Please contact the office for further information.

We will be open from 9 - 3.00 on every school day and you may book any combination of morning and afternoon sessions, with or without lunchtimes (depending on availability). Our Beach School programme will be a major part of the children's outdoor experiences.

Sessions: Morning session 9 - 12

Lunch Time 12 - 1

Afternoon session 1 - 3

Please register your interest to the school office: office@charmouth.dorset.sch.uk or telephone 01297 560591

Cantamus choir returns to Ilminster



WEST Dorset choir Cantamus will return to Ilminster this April to perform a mix of beautiful music that their audience is sure to find both moving and uplifting.

Cantamus likes to take listeners on a musical journey through the centuries, and this season's programme is no exception.

Beginning with the medieval "Thomas gemma Cantuarie" and Monteverdi's "Ave maris stella" – from the 1610 Vespers – the choir moves on to the heartbreaking "When David heard" by Weelkes, then two of Purcell's Funeral Sentences, written for the funeral of Queen Mary II in 1695. Three movements from J.S. Bach's cantata "Jesu, der du meine seele" lead up to the interval.

The second half of the programme begins with "Locus iste" and "Os justi" by Bruckner,

before three 20th-century songs reflect the hope and promise of the Easter season. The Cantamus men then have a rest while the ladies sing three movements from Benjamin Britten's "Missa brevis", before Poulenc's haunting "Vinea mea electa" brings the concert to a close.

Cantamus was formed in 2012 and gives spring, summer and Advent concerts each year across the area under the musical direction of Malcolm Knowles.

The concert is at the Minster Church in Ilminster on Saturday, April 23rd at 7.30pm. Tickets are £8, to include a glass of wine, and are available from Lanes Garden Shop in Silver Street, Ilminster, and on the door.

For more details, visit the choir's website www.cantamus-dorset.org



Continued support for charity bra collection

ILMINSTER residents could be forgiven for thinking that a new lingerie shop had opened on the premises of hairdressers Hebron, as stylists Serena and Harriet are pictured above taking delivery of yet more bras for charity.

Claire Hebron Wheatley of the salon in East Street said: "Little did we realise when we agreed to have the Rotary bra bank sited in the shop just how many bras would be handed in."

"It does make one wonder whether or not the women of Ilminster have all decided to go brassless!"

Cancer research charities will receive a donation depending on the weight of the bras collected, while the underwear garments will be shipped off to Africa where they are in short supply.

Ilminster Rotary Club president Linda Piggott has thanked the hair salon for its continued support, plus that of the local ladies who are donating their bras.

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Holly Dog Vacations

If you are going on holiday, working long hours or are away just too long to feel comfortable leaving your dog(s) alone we are here to help, please call to discuss any specific requirements you may have and you are more than welcome to visit with your dog prior to booking.

We have our own two labradors, who are very friendly and enjoy sharing their home with the new doggy guests. We are registered and inspected with East Devon District Council allowing us to board up to three dogs along with our own two, we are fully insured with Petplan Sanctuary.

On arrival, please bring your dogs bedding and any toys that will help make he/she feel at home. Also the food that your dog normally eats. After booking we send a questionnaire for you to complete which helps us to understand your dogs normal routine and ensures your dog settles in quickly.

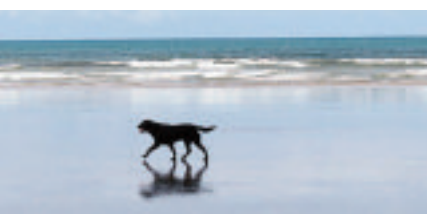
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ALL dogs aged 8 weeks and over must be microchipped by 6th April 2016. To be considered as microchipped, a microchip must have been implanted into your dog and your details recorded on an approved database. If your dog does not have a microchip, or if your current details are not recorded on an approved database, you

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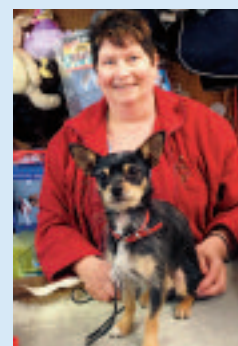


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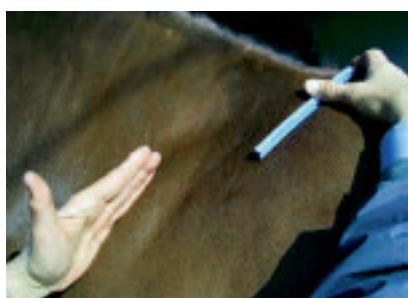
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Honiton Cat Protection

HONITON Cats Protection is pleased to support National Pet Month, which promotes responsible pet ownership – something we agree with wholeheartedly! Their 'Top Ten Tips for Responsible Pet Ownership' tie in with our rehoming procedures.

All the cats and kittens we rehome have a veterinary check when they arrive to identify and resolve any medical problems. They are neutered, treated for fleas and worms and micro-chipped. Whilst they stay with us we ensure they receive the food and grooming they need and we do our best to get to know them, so that they can be matched to the most suitable

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Whilst we have an adoption fee, our costs generally exceed this and so we rely on income generated from the shop on Honiton High Street to help pay for all the essentials. As part of National Pet Month perhaps you might drop in to find out about becoming a volunteer or simply bring in some good quality items for use to sell. We look forward to seeing you this month, or at any time of year!

Vale Veterinary

Caring for your pet rabbit

Flystrike

Flystrike occurs normally during warmer weather. It is caused by flies that land on rabbits and lay eggs. It almost always starts around the rabbit's bottom as flies are attracted to faeces. The fly eggs very quickly hatch into maggots and the maggots eat the rabbit's skin and causing tissue damage and if not found in time, shock will soon follow. Badly affected rabbits may have to be put down.

To prevent flystrike: Remove all soiled bedding daily; ensure your rabbit is not being overfed, as this can result in diarrhoea, leading to a dirty bottom. Check your rabbit twice daily to ensure that it is clean and dry and disinfect the hutch every week. Rearguard can also be applied to your rabbit and can protect against flystrike for up to 10 weeks!

Internal and external parasites

Worms are not generally an issue in rabbits; however a protozoan called E. Cuniculi. E.Cuniculi is a parasite that lives in the brain, eye or kidney tissue and can be fatal. Symptoms include: head tilted to one side, balance problems, incontinence and weak back legs. It can be treated with Panacur Rabbit oral paste for 28 days, but response depends on duration and severity of infection.

Rabbits like cats and dog can also harbour parasites. Cheyletiella mites are responsible for a scurfy coat or 'walking dandruff' in rabbits. Fleas can live on rabbits too and can spread the disease myxomatosis. Ear mites are also

common in rabbits which cause uncomfortable scabs to form in the ear canal.

Vaccinations

Rabbits can become affected by two infectious diseases: Viral Haemorrhagic Disease (VHD) and Myxomatosis, both of which can be fatal. Vaccinations can be given for these diseases at 8 weeks old and is advised they are repeated every 12 months. VHD is a virus spread by saliva and nasal secretions; passed from rabbit to rabbit or via people, clothing or objects. Signs include blood stains from nose or mouth, high temperature, internal bleeding which can lead to liver failure.

Myxomatosis is a virus passed on via fleas, mites, flies and contact between rabbits, and sometimes in the hay if not sterilised. Symptoms include: puffy face, ears or eyes, fever and blindness. Sadly most rabbits die within 10-14 days.

Neutering

Neutering is recommended for all pet rabbits, not being used for breeding. Neutering reduces fighting between rabbits, avoids unwanted pregnancies and prevents womb cancer in females. 80% of females by the age of 8 develop womb cancer. Rabbits can be neutered from the age of 16 weeks



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Barking Mad

IT'S well known that we are a nation of dog lovers and that's the reason why local pet business owner Lucy Mumford is celebrating this April during National Pet Month. Her venture goes from strength to strength in Exeter, Mid and East Devon organising dog holidays for our region's best friends.

Now in its 27th year, National Pet Month offers the nation a chance to celebrate the wonderful impact pets have on our lives and this year will focus on the Top 10 Tips for Responsible Pet Ownership, reminding us of how important it is for us to provide the very best levels of care for our pets.

Barking Mad is the UK's leading dog sitting company, organising dog holidays as an alternative to kennels and recently hit the top spot on the independent review site TrustPilot. Over 600 delighted customers have left glowing 5* reviews following truly excellent customer service for their pampered pooches.

Lucy said, "We are delighted to be involved as not only does National Pet Month promote responsible pet ownership, but it encourages pet friendly businesses, groups and individuals to raise the industry's profile and the benefits of pets. In fact, we are looking to recruit new dog sitting hosts as we expand".

The Barking Mad system works to match dog lovers, often active retired people, with a furry pal on a temporary dog holiday (as an alternative to kennels). Looking after dog gives many a lifeline and purpose, which they might not have had otherwise. Host dog sitters benefit from the proven medical advantages exercising and looking after a dog can have.

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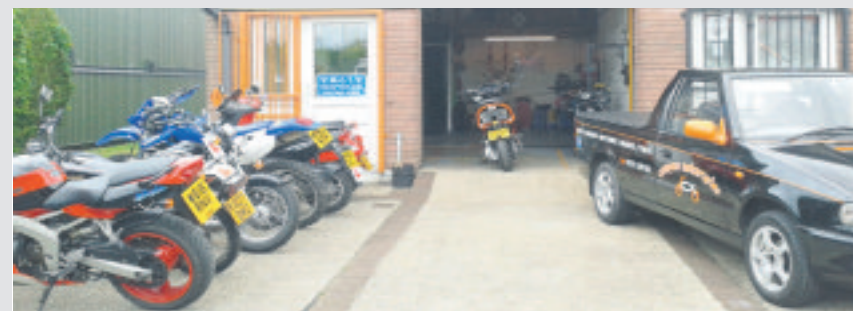


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WHAT NEXT FOR THE COTLEY POINT-TO-POINT?

TWO years ago the Cotley Point-to-Point staged 4 Camel races under the glorious March sunshine, we made the front page of the Daily Telegraph and were even featured in the Mumbai Times. The Races were for charity and together with the Cotley Hunt Hedgelaying competition a total of over £5000 was raised for the Dorset and Somerset Air Ambulance.

Last year under some less than glorious March weather we staged four cob/heavy Horse races. These races were kindly sponsored by Bluewave Construction Ltd, Albert Goodman Accountants, Porter Dodson Solicitors and King's School Taunton. All the competitors raised money and in total over £4,500 was presented to the two chosen charities, being Dorset and Somerset Air Ambulance and Hospiscare.

This year we have one charity race, kindly sponsored by Barley-mows Farm Shop. It is a team relay race with one member running approximately 1 mile round ½ of the racecourse to hand over to a Horse and Jockey who will gallop around the whole racecourse circuit to finish in front of the crowd after a 1.5 mile gallop. May the best team win. The entries are causing a stir amongst the locals with some big bragging rites at stake.

There is also a best "turned out" prize at stake, however with a difference; The category is now called "the best 8 legs", kindly sponsored by Ian Lawrence Plumbing and Heating Engineer.

The charity race is due to start at 12.30pm with the first of the main Point-to-Point races starting at 1.30pm.

The charities chosen this year are St. Margaret's Hospice and the Beacon Centre, Musgrove Park.



THE COTLEY HUNT, SUPPORTING OUR COMMUNITY

Rural Communities by their nature are very fragmented but it is important, especially when farming prices are at a bottom, that people do not feel on their own. To many the local Hunt is part of the fabric of the countryside which knits people together. The Cotley Hunt is a family run pack and all of those involved in the running of the pack are keen to help the community by putting on social events (like the Skittles League, Dances, Dinners and Lunches) which in turn supports local businesses.

Last year the Point to Point managed to raise funds to help support Hospiscare, which gives high quality care and dedicated support for people in Mid and East Devon with a potentially terminal diagnosis. At least two of our Supporters' Families had reason to use Hospiscare and it was great that the Point to Point was able to help them financially in return.

Similarly this year we are trying to help the Somerset equivalent of Hospiscare by raising funds for St. Margaret's and the Beacon Centre/S.U.R.E. Both charities have been used by Supporters' families and we would like to say thank you to both charities for the way that they have helped our friends through their difficult times.

"S.U.R.E. has donated over £1.8M worth of equipment to the Beacon Centre at Musgrove Park Hospital in Taunton and continues to provide vital radiotherapy equipment to maintain a 'cutting edge' status in the

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"St. Margaret's is a charity - they are not part of the NHS. It costs £10m per year to run their service. After NHS funding they still need to raise £7.5m to deliver their care. They care for people with any life-limiting illness - not just cancer. They support families and carers as well as patients. 1 in 3 people in Somerset will need their support in their lifetime. Last year St. Margaret's cared for 3,200 people. The majority of people are cared for in their own homes. Over 1,200 volunteers help them care for people at the end of their lives. 1 in 5 of their patients receive care, thanks to gifts in wills. St. Margaret's strives to provide palliative care to all who need it within their defined population area, being at the heart of our community and responding to patients' personal preferences and needs. They strive to deliver high quality holistic and accessible care."

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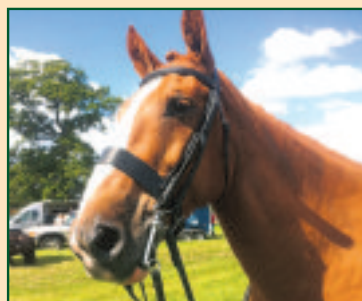
- 1.30pm *The Bevis & Beckingsale Cotley Hunt Members, Subscribers and Farmers Race,*
- 2.05pm *The Henry Bowers Ltd. Countryside Alliance Club Members Race,*
- 2.40pm *The Bearnas Hampton & Littlewood Open Maiden Race for 4,5,6 and 7 year olds (2.5 miles),*
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It is one of the better viewing courses around with many people setting up a picnic from the back of the car to enjoy the day even more. There will also be a parade of the famous Cotley Harriers between the 4th and 5th Races in the paddock when the public will be allowed to come and meet the hounds.

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Children question town councillors



IT was question time for two town councillors when children from Greenfylde and Swanmead schools in Ilminster, and Wadham School in Crewkerne, visited Ilminster council offices.

The children met with the Mayor of Ilminster, Councillor Rose Neave, Councillor Sophie Storey and the town clerk, Joy Norris, to ask them questions about life in Ilminster.

They asked a range of questions, wanting to know about many key Ilminster developments, including the planned work for the recreation ground.

Claire Oaten, headteacher at Greenfylde First School, said: "It is wonderful to see how much these young citizens care about their home town.

They are genuinely interested in what is happening around them and appreciate the time both the mayor and Councillor Storey have given to listen to their ideas and views.

Many adults may be surprised by what the children want to know about and whilst they do want to know about the development of play facilities at the recreation ground, they also wanted to find out more about how the town itself is marketed and how the town can attract a wider range of businesses.

"Ilminster has some very astute future citizens and all the schools are proud of the ideas and questions the children brought to the councillors today."

Poet teaches pupils about bullying



■ PETE the Poet visited Greenfylde First School in Ilminster to do some work on cultural diversity. Staff and children all had an informative and fun session learning about differences and tolerance. Using puppets, Pete told stories involving prejudice and bullying in a way that was easy for the children to understand. Every child had a puppet and was part of the story. They also used simple rhythms and patterns to develop and create new poems to perform together. Even children who are often shy and retiring got fully involved and a wonderful time was had by all.



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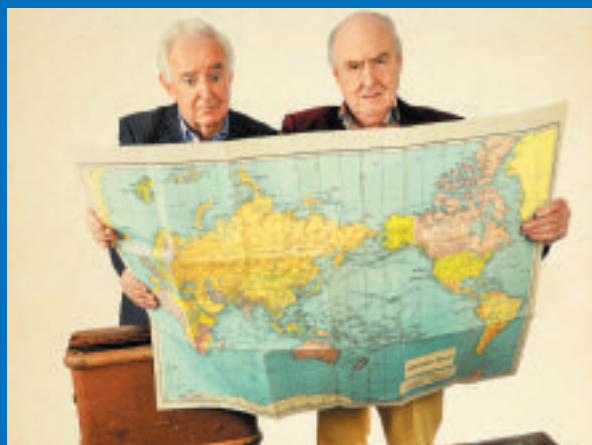
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Fab Four bring their Beatles tribute to Beer



ONE of Britain's best tribute bands will be playing at the Mariners Hall, Beer, next week (Saturday, April 16th).

The Fab Beatles have developed a huge following since they were formed in 1991 and have played all over the world, from Moscow to Madrid, Berlin to... Beer!

And it is not just regular music fans of the original Fab Four who love the Fab Beatles.

"The Fab Beatles are truly fab and I know because I saw the other lot," said TV presenter Michael Parkinson, while Jonathon Ross declared: "I think the Fab Beatles were excellent and definitely the best."

And there was also a ringing endorsement from Stan Parkes, who is a first cousin to the great John Lennon: "I must say that their presentation of The Beatles is excellent. In fact, I could quite believe that I was actually listening to The Beatles".

The Fab Beatles show starts with early Hamburg material and goes right through all the singles and album tracks to Let It Be and the break-up, with a repertoire that is second to none.

It is not just the music that is top class either. The group also pride themselves on professionalism and attention to detail and it is accepted that the Fab's sound is the closest you will ever hear to the originals.

The Fab Beatles use only authentic instruments and costume and can now boast to have the very drum-kit Ringo used on The Beatles 1964 American tour.

The Fab Beatles played in Beer last year and were such a big hit that the clamour to get them back was irresistible – and the fact that they are helping raise money to fund the running of the precious Mariners Hall village community facility is a massive bonus.

Tickets cost £10 in advance and are on sale from Beer Village Stores or call Liz Fahey on 01297 22797. Doors open at 7.30pm and tickets will also be available on the evening costing £12.

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Samswara are known for their on stage rapport & spontaneous and playful musical dialogues through which they journey from slow, meditative melodies through to fast and highly detailed exciting rhythmic interplay.

Tickets £12 / £10 concs, available from Archway Bookshop, Church Street, Axminster, or by calling 01297 33595

The Art of Rhythm

GUITARIST and composer Ant Law is back on tour this Spring performing new trio music as well as favourites from his critically acclaimed album Zero Sum World and debut Entanglement. Matt Ridley joins him on double bass and the drum chair is split between Asaf Sirkis and Dave Hamblett.

Over the last decade Law has established himself as a significant compositional talent with an unorthodox yet original guitar approach working in new improvisation-focused music. He studied at Edinburgh University and Berklee College of Music and now lives in London regularly performing with renowned musicians such as Tim Garland, Jason Rebello and Paul Riley. Law is a pioneer in the 'Perfect Fourths' tuning system for guitarists and is a published author on the subject.

Ant Law plays at Blue Vanguard Jazz Club, Gipsy Hill Hotel, Exeter (EX1 3RN) on Thursday, April 28th. Tickets are £10 (£8 students on production of valid ID). Advanced booking is advisable, and tickets are available from bluevanguard.co.uk.



Ant Law

Ahoy there shipmates, it's Peco Pirate Day

SHIVER-ME-TIMBERS... Sunday April 10th is Peco Pirate Day!

Once again, Seaton Drama Group will be hosting their "Piratical Performances" along with Songs and Sea Shanties, and there'll be a fancy dress competition to see who can make the best pirate! All children that dress up will get a treat from the Garden Room Restaurant and the highly popular Treasure Hunt will have everyone hunting for hidden booty!

With other great attractions operating such as the Beer Heights Light Railway and Play Station Indoor Play Area, Pecorama becomes a Treasure Trove of Family Fun.

Pecorama is open 10am-5pm, with the last train at 4pm. See www.pecorama.co.uk for details on all their special events.

Psychic Vibration on the Medium Wave

Don't miss this emotional rollercoaster ride of an evening – a night to remember

EX-HAIRDRESSER Steve Holbrook, regarded by many as one of the UK's top Clairvoyant Mediums, is visiting locally very shortly, and he explains how he hears the voices of our loved ones that have passed away. His ability started from behind the salon chair, and he now visits Theatres and Hotels around the country, and as far as the Caribbean, demonstrating his unique ability to act as a telephone exchange between this world and the Spirit world.

Steve says that he was always aware from being a child that life existed beyond the grave, when he awoke to find five soldiers marching through his bedroom, but could only see the top half of them floating through the room. "This was very unnerving experience but it was to give me an early glimpse of what was to come, and now it's as natural as breathing to me"

Steve started work in Leeds city centre in a busy hairdressing salon, and feels that the years he spent behind the chair, having that personal contact with the customers, stimulated this rare, yet natural ability to hear the voices of spirits. People used to come in and book for their hair cut, and often got more than they bargained for when he passed on a message from their loved one. Steve was always the busiest stylist, and had a 6 week waiting list if people didn't re-book immediately, and says "I often wonder if they kept coming back for my ability as a hair stylist, or the possibility that they might receive a message from a relative who had passed away!"

He now gives messages of re-assurance to people who have lost their loved ones,

and by communicating with them, helps them understand that life continues, just simply in a different dimension. One lady's mum came through to her in one of Steve's messages, and said to the daughter "don't forget the brown Prada handbag on Friday". The lady replied "I'm putting it in my mums coffin on Friday, she only died 5 days ago". Who would know this information?

One of Steve's best friends is the multi-talented Jane MacDonald, singer and co-presenter on ITV's Loose Women. Steve met Jane in a Spiritualist Church many years ago, and predicted she would be on BBC TV as part of a cruise entertainment documentary. She didn't believe it, but the year after it came true, and she was the star of The Cruise, the first docu-soap, and she had the biggest selling debut album of all time. She has dedicated her auto-biography to Steve, calling him her inspiration and guru, and can't thank him enough for being there when she needs guidance.

Steve has three books out, 'Light in the Darkness', 'Out of this World', and 'Survival', and these all offer a true insight into the day-to-day life of a working medium. Steve's beliefs on many areas of Spiritualism, and a great background in to Steve's life.

Steve has raised tens of thousands of pounds for charities over the years, £50000 for his local hospice in Wakefield, £5000 for MacMillan Support, and most recently our current total for PACT – a charity that helps terminally ill children and their parents across the country – is almost £21000. He is dedicated to raising funds and awareness for this charity.

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Exciting cellist Amy Jolly to play Concerts in the West shows

CONCERTS IN THE WEST is delighted to welcome the exciting young cellist Amy Jolly, who together with pianist Gemma Beeson, will be making exhilarating music at venues in Ilminster and Lyme Regis later this month.

A recent graduate of the Halle/RNCM String Leadership Diploma at the Royal Northern College of Music, Amy Jolly won the 2014 Charles Halle Award and is currently undertaking postgraduate studies at Stavanger University of Music, Norway.

She graduated with distinction from the MA programme at the Royal Academy of Music, achieving a DipRAM for an outstanding final recital and received the Rhoda Butt Award for achievement and contribution to the Academy.

Amy was the first ever instrumentalist to win the Royal Warrant Holders Aldeburgh Bursary in 2013, leading to a performance at the Coronation Festival at Buckingham Palace. Amy performs with the BBC National Orchestra of Wales, BBC Philharmonic, Birmingham Royal Ballet and Opera North. She is also a member of the award-winning Scarlet Trio and FeMusa, Britain's only all-female string orchestra.

Accompanying Amy in both concerts, will be award winning pianist Gemma Beeson, who has performed around the world as a soloist, accompanist and chamber musician. Gemma is a graduate of the Royal Northern College of Music and Guildhall School of Music and Drama, where she excelled in competitions including the Michael Harding International Piano Competition, Hastings Concerto Competition and the Intercollegiate Beethoven Competition.

Since graduating, Gemma has worked as an accompanist and music coach at a number of schools including Wells Cathedral School and Chetham's School of Music. She is currently a staff pianist at the Royal Northern College of Music and at Leeds College of Music. Gemma has made several recordings and live broadcasts of contemporary music for the BBC and has recently performed at the Wigmore, Cadogan and Bridgewater Halls.

Concerts in the West founder and director Catherine Hodgson, said: "Amy Jolly is an astonishing young cellist, with an incredible musical presence. Her interpretations are passionate and soulful with a depth of intensity that is impressive for someone who is after all still studying her craft. She is complemented beautifully by Gemma Beeson and together they make compelling listening. I cannot recommend these performances enough."

Amy Jolly and Gemma Beeson perform at Ilminster Arts Centre on Friday, April 22nd at 8pm (a pre-concert supper available at 7pm - advanced booking required £13). Tickets are £15, to book call 01460 55783 or visit www.themeetinghouse.org.uk.

The duo will play at The Hub, Church Street, Lyme Regis on Saturday, April 23rd, at 7.30pm. Tickets are £15, available from the box office on 01297 442594.



Amy Jolly

VIEW
FROM

the beehive

IT'S OUR second

anniversary and what better way to celebrate than by having Devon's finest folk duo, 'Show of Hands' playing the Beehive for the opening night of their 'Long Way Home' UK tour tonight! Needless to say, it's sold out and we are all very excited to have Phil Beer and Steve Knightley playing here.

A great selection of gigs and home grown talent in local shows, seem to be going from strength to strength at the Beehive, as sell out shows for *Peter Pan* and *Kiss your love Goodbye* have demonstrated. We now eagerly await Honiton Theatre Company's 'Twelfth Night' in May which will kick start our Shakespeare celebrations.

Meanwhile we have some fab shows and movies to look forward to, next weekend we have 'Glorilla' a brilliant spoof comedy show, check out the trailer on the website these girls are seriously good!

Brie Larson won an Oscar for her performance in the life affirming movie 'Room' which we are screening this Friday and next week George Clooney and Josh Brolin star in the Coen brothers' *Hail Caesar!*

Come and hear 'Rusty Shackles' fabulous 6 piece band, on Sat 16th April, their hi energy live performance with intelligent, catchy lyrics will make for a great gig, don't miss them.

For something completely different we have the 2 day Festival of Imagination with interesting talks and activities based on the theme of Structure this year, there is something for everyone and very worthwhile coming along for a look. On the Friday evening we will be showing the 2004 Pacino version of *The Merchant of Venice* and on Saturday 23rd we have the hilarious family friendly, 'When Magic & Science Collide' show by the amazing Oliver Meech. (it's quite mind blowing, believe me and kids and adults will love it)

Our Nostalgic cinema on April 28th is the wonderful 'Some like it hot' with Marilyn Monroe, Jack Lemmon and Tony Curtis and our Friday film is 'Joy'

We end April with the first of an exciting season of concerts as a part of the Honiton Festival-Conjunto Gringo playing Latin & Cuban jazz, this wonderful octet is led by Bristol's best known jazz trumpeter, Andy Hague. Guaranteed to make you want to dance!

Plans are afoot for a celebration of Shakespeare's life and works at the Beehive with several events through May and June culminating with the Branagh Live screening of *Romeo and Juliet* with Richard Madden and Lily James as the star crossed lovers on Thursday 7th July and the Bristol Old Vic theatre school production of 'A Midsummer Night's Dream' on June 17th. Along with Police Dog Hogan and Henning Wehn, tickets will go quickly for these shows, so book now and enjoy!

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Lenny Abrahamson's latest tells the story of Ma and her son Jack. They live in a single room that is their entire world – a skylight is their only contact with the outside – for a reason that is one of the film's many surprises. Then, on Jack's fifth birthday, Ma reveals her plan for him to get away. Stars Oscar-winner Brie Larson.



GLORILLA

Sat 9th Apr 8pm Adult £10, Student £8

The hilarious new show from Spitz & Co - who brought us *Gloriator* in 2015. In this latest comic spoof, Gloria Delaneuf (acclaimed French actress & international animal communicator) returns to the UK to talk about her life-changing experience with the gorillas of the Kunglunga jungle. "I laughed until I cried."



For all event details visit

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Diary Dates

TUESDAY APRIL 5TH
AXMINSTER: Axminster Probuc Club for retired and semi-retired business and professional men meets at 10.00 for 10.30am in a private room at the A35 Pit Stop, Gammons Hill, Kilmington for a talk by Sue Virgin on 'The Home Front' and an optional lunch. For further details ring 01460 220528.

CREWKERNE: Tuesday Welcome Group at Henhayes Centre. £1 per session. For people 70/80+ who like to meet other people and enjoy a few activities like painting, pottery, music, quizzes and occasional bingo. Transport can be arranged and a cooked meal can be purchased from £3.50. Take-away meals are available.

CREWKERNE: Computer Group at Henhayes Centre – Questions answered and help provided. 10am to 12 noon
CHARD: Chard Ladies' Evening Guild will have a talk by Angela Pitt on Giant Pandas in China at its meeting. Everyone is welcome to join us at Manor Court School at 7.30.

WEDNESDAY APRIL 6TH
SEATON: Jurassic Folk and Jam Club at Eyre Court, 2 Queen Street, 8-10.30pm. Music and song for all to enjoy. Free admission for musicians, singers and spectators. For more details call 01404 46451 or 549903, or visit www.jurassicfolkandjam.com

KILMINGTON: Film: 'The Lady in The Van' (12a) Moviola screening at the village hall (Whitford Road). Doors and bar (wine and soft drinks) 6.45pm, film 7.15pm. Tickets £5 in advance from Hurfords Store, or £5.50 at the door. For more details call 01297 32335.

COLYTON: Colyton, Colyford and District Memory Café 2-4 p.m. St John Hall King Street Colyton There is some parking available and a small drop off point. Colyton Garden Shop will be coming along to talk about spring flowers and she might also have a little surprise for us! So, if you a friend or a loved one is experiencing memory loss or have been diagnosed with Dementia why not come to one of our Memory Cafes and enjoy a relaxing, safe and enjoyable afternoon. For more information please ring Diane on 01297 680442.

CLAPTON: Clapton & Wayford Village Hall – sew, knit & natter, 10.30am, all welcome; details from 01460 72837.
CREWKERNE: Bingo – Cash prizes – “eyes down” at 2.30pm at Henhayes Centre.

THURSDAY APRIL 7TH
SIDMOUTH: Market in St John's building, Blackmore Drive. 9-4pm. Variety of stalls, hot and cold food, refreshments available. Free entry.

CHARD: Chard Royal Naval Association. Chard Royal Naval Association will be holding their monthly social meeting at 7.30pm in the Conservative club Chard. The evening will be run by member John Cope who will be entertaining the group to his 'Alternative Quiz night!' Any person wishing to attend on the night with a view to joining the association will be made most welcome. Any queries contact secretary Mr Gary Pennells on 01456 77978 or chairman Paula Moon 01460 929041.

CREWKERNE: Over 50s Keep Fit at Henhayes Centre – 10am to 11am. £2.50 for members/ £3.50 for non-members

COLYTON: Guided History Walks around Colyton. Starts 2pm from the town car park, lasting approx 1 hour. £3 per head, under 16s free. Includes visit to the Heritage Centre. Booking not needed, and regardless of weather. For more details call 01297 552514 or 33406, or visit www.colyton-history.co.uk or www.colytonheritagecentre.org

FRIDAY APRIL 8TH
CREWKERNE: Sequence dancing at the Victoria Hall from 1.45pm to 4pm. Tea and Biscuits. Raffle. £2 per person. More details call 01935 415520 or 01308 862866

CLAPTON: Clapton & Wayford Village Hall – “Food on Friday”, mid-day for 12.30pm start. All ages are welcome; very friendly atmosphere and good food. Please book in advance by phoning 01460 77057. Further details also available on the same number.

LYME REGIS: Travelling Trends Fashion Show at Woodmead Halls, Hill Road. 7pm for 7.30pm. Do you need a few separates to liven up your wardrobe? Would you like them at bargain prices? Look no further! Funds raised will go to Lyme Regis Musical Theatre. Tickets £6.50 from Anita at View From Newspapers (Lyme Regis), or Yvonne at Beviss & Beckingsale (Axminster), or by calling 07840 805766 / 07866 988 391. Travelling Trends will accept cash and most major credit & debit cards. No ordering – items can be tried on, purchased and taken home on the night.

KILMINGTON: Container Gardening. How and what to grow in containers, including advice on pot choice, compost and many ideas on the plants that can be used and how to look after them. Kilmington Gardening Club. 7.30pm Kilmington village hall, Whitford Road, EX13 7RF Non members welcome £1.
HONITON: Bug box making at Thelma Hulbert

Oh What a Night!

THIS sensational show, which continues to sell out with standing ovations everywhere, will be celebrating the music of Frankie Valli and the Four Seasons at the Guildhall Axminster this Friday, April 8th, at 7.30pm.

The New Jersey Boys, from Plymouth, take their audience on a nostalgic musical journey through the career of one of the biggest selling groups of all time – The Four Seasons. The packed two set programme includes all the hits such as ‘Sherry’, ‘Big Girls Don't Cry’, and ‘Walk Like a Man’, and features the amazing falsetto voice of Einar Vestman and the humour of all round entertainer Gary Gould.

Oh What a Night! is an unmissable evening of top entertainment from four outstanding performers who remind us of a band whose unique sound became a worldwide success. Ticket £15 from Archway Bookshop, Axminster 01297 33595, or online at www.wegotickets.com



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WHITELACKINGTON: Quiz Night at the village hall. 7.30pm. Teams of up to 4, £1.25pp. Cash prize.

CREWKERNE: Crewkerne Country Market is having a watercolour demonstration and have-a-go session at The Speedwell, Abbey Street TA18 7HY 9-11am. Everyone is welcome. Refreshments will be available alongside homemade cakes and produce, preserves, honey and craft to buy.

HONITON: Honiton Parkinson's Support Group meeting. Speaker Celia Avati, occupational therapist from Independent Living Centre, Newton Abbot. Held at the Heathfield Inn, 11am.

AXMINSTER: ¿Necesita ayuda con el Inglés? Besoin d'aide avec l'anglais? Aveți nevoie de ajutor cu limba engleză? Do you want to improve your spoken English for social or work situations? Free classes will be taking place every Friday from 9.30 to 10.30 am in the Arts Cafe in Axminster, starting on Friday, April 8th. These sessions are open to everyone and newcomers are always welcome.

SATURDAY APRIL 9TH
HINTON ST GEORGE: 'Flix in the Stix' presents 'The Lady in The Van' (12A), in the Hinton Village Hall at 7.30 pm. Tickets £5 in advance from the Village Shop and Dorothy's Tea Room, or £5.50p on the door. To reserve Tickets please contact Bob Kefford on 01460 72563.

BEER: Wurlitzer Theatre Organ Show – Byron Jones returns to entertain at the Congregational Church, Fore Street, Beer. The show starts at 2pm, admission is £7 at the door, children under 16 free, everyone welcome. For further info visit www.beerwurlitzer.org.uk or phone 01297 24892.

CLAPTON: Clapton & Wayford Village Hall – The River-tones Harmony Chorus, 7.30pm; all welcome. Please book in advance on 01460 75313 / 74849: £10 includes Ploughman's supper. Licensed Bar, Raffle.

SOUTH PETHERTON: Spring Sale from 10am to 12 noon at the Methodist Church. Entry is free and stalls will include cakes, preserves, toys, books & CDs, bric-a-brac, raffle & tombola. Refreshments will be served.

SUNDAY APRIL 10TH
HONITON: Short Mat Bowls. 9.30am weekly. Teaching and playing. Newcomers welcome. At LED Leisure Centre, School Lane (EX14 1QW). For more details call 01404 42325

MONDAY APRIL 11TH
WINSHAM: Winsham Art Club meeting at the Jubilee Hall, 2-4pm. With Aviva Halter-Hurn, pottery session. New members very welcome. For more information contact Barbara White 01460 30835.
HONITON: Honiton Art Society Meeting. Demonstration by Rebecca de Mendonca, Figures in Pastel, at Awliscombe. Village Hall, 2-4pm. Visitors £2. Visitors and new members always very welcome.

TUESDAY APRIL 12TH
SIDMOUTH: St Francis Tea Dance for Childrens Hospice South West. 2.30pm. 2nd Tuesday of the month. 01395 577122.

AXMINSTER: Cooking For One Demo with HALFF (Health and Local Food for Families), 11am-1pm. Free healthy cooking demonstrations giving hints and ideas for cooking for one and covering nutritional advice for type 2 diabetes, heart disease and high blood pressure. At the HALFF Food Hub, South Street, Axminster. No need to book, just turn up, it's free. Call Laura on 01297 631782 for more information or email laura@halff.org.uk.

UPLYME: Uplyme and Lyme Regis Horticultural Society coach outing to Knightsayes, a National Trust property near Tiverton. Book now to secure your place – NT members £8.50, non-members £16 – non-members of ULRHS pay £3 extra. Book with Jenny Harding on 01297 444034.

SIDMOUTH: East Devon Organ Club, with Brett Wales. 7.30pm at Primley Road, Church Hall.

CREWKERNE: Tuesday Welcome Group at Henhayes Centre. £1 per session. For people 70/80+ who like to meet other people and enjoy a few activities like painting, pottery, music, quizzes and occasional bingo. Transport can be arranged and a cooked meal can be purchased from £3.50. Take-away meals are available.

SIDMOUTH: Bold As Brass ensemble from Sidmouth Town Band perform at Sidholme Music Room, 7.45pm. Free entry, collection for STB & Music Room Restoration Fund.

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Deadline is Friday 4pm for the following Tuesday's publication. Please ensure dates are included for all listings – weekly listings without dates may not be published.

Boulting's take on 'Bikeology'

The brand new show featuring the face of ITV's Tour de France coverage, Ned Boulting, starts off with a preview date at the Marine Theatre ahead of UK-wide tour.

JOURNALIST, television presenter and best-selling author Ned Boulting presents for the first time an honest, self-effacing walk through the world of Bikeology.

What drives the cyclist (apart from a sturdy, well-oiled chain) to such ecstasies of endurance? What curious, deep-rooted passions are aroused by the sight of a simple pair of padded shorts? And what on earth is a derailleur?

From the humble commuter to the winner of the Tour de France, Boulting takes an off-centre look at what it means to ride a bike, drawing on his own underwhelming adventures in the saddle to his fourteen summers spent hurtling around France in pursuit of the sport's

biggest name including no less than Cavendish, Wiggin, Froome and of course Armstrong.

A breakneck descent through the history of the sport followed by a lung-bursting climb into the present day - all two-wheeled life is here.

Keep your wits about you and be ready to compete in the ultimate test of bicycle maintenance against Olympian gold-medallists Sir Chris Hoy, Chris Boardman and perhaps a few others...

Ned Boulting's *Bikeology* work-in-progress show comes to the Marine Theatre, Lyme Regis this Friday, April 8th at 8pm. Tickets are £10, available from www.marinetheatre.com, or call Lyme Regis TIC on 01297 442138.

Mark's not here

MULTI-AWARD winning comedy star Mark Watson returns with the highly anticipated follow-up to his hugely successful show *Flaws*. In 2016 Watson goes on an incredible 69-date tour with his new show *I'm Not Here*.

A seemingly minor problem at an airport forms the starting point of the show, which spirals into an examination of identity in the digital age and a search for meaning in our lives; luckily with an enormous number of jokes, as well as Watson's customary flailing, chaotic audience interactions and all sorts of other fun.

As one of the most decorated performers on the UK comedy scene Mark Watson was nominated for Best Newcomer at the 2005 Perrier Awards, before being awarded the 2006 if.comedy Panel Prize. He took home the Time Out Critics Choice Award in 2006 and has been nominated for a Barry Award

from the Melbourne Comedy Festival.

Mark Watson was the star of Dave TV's *Road to Rio*, as well as the host of BBC 4's *We Need Answers*. He has also regularly appeared on BBC 2's *Never Mind The Buzzcocks*, and *Mock the Week*, BBC 1's *Would I Lie To You* and *Have I Got News For You*, and Dave's *Argumental*. He has performed stand-up on BBC 1's *Live At The Apollo*, *Michael McIntyre's Comedy Roadshow* and Channel 4's *Comedy Gala*.

As well as his TV work Mark has had a number of critically acclaimed radio shows, including his BBC Radio 4 series *Mark Watson Makes The World Substantially Better*, *Mark Watson's Live Address To The Nation* and *Mark Watson Talks A*

Bit About Life, as well as *100 Million or Bust* on BBC Radio 5 Live, where he is also a regular contributor to *Fight Talk*.

Mark Watson brings the 'I'm Not Here' tour to Exeter Corn Exchange on Sunday, April 10th (visit the website at www.exeter.gov.uk/cornexchange or call 01392 665866), and The Octagon Theatre, Yeovil on Friday, April 22nd (www.octagon-theatre.co.uk, 01935 422884).



Mark Watson

Ferocious and feel-good

These Dogs have a bark worse than their bite

WITH the release of their new album "From Without", the raw energy and passion you'd expect from Ferocious Dog is ever-present.

Creating their own take on Traditional Celtic folk, Ferocious Dog takes the traditional instruments; fiddles, whistles, mandolins and mixes them up with a bit of, raw, buzz sawrock n' roll attitude. With their unique, aggressive yet feel-good music they tear up venues across the

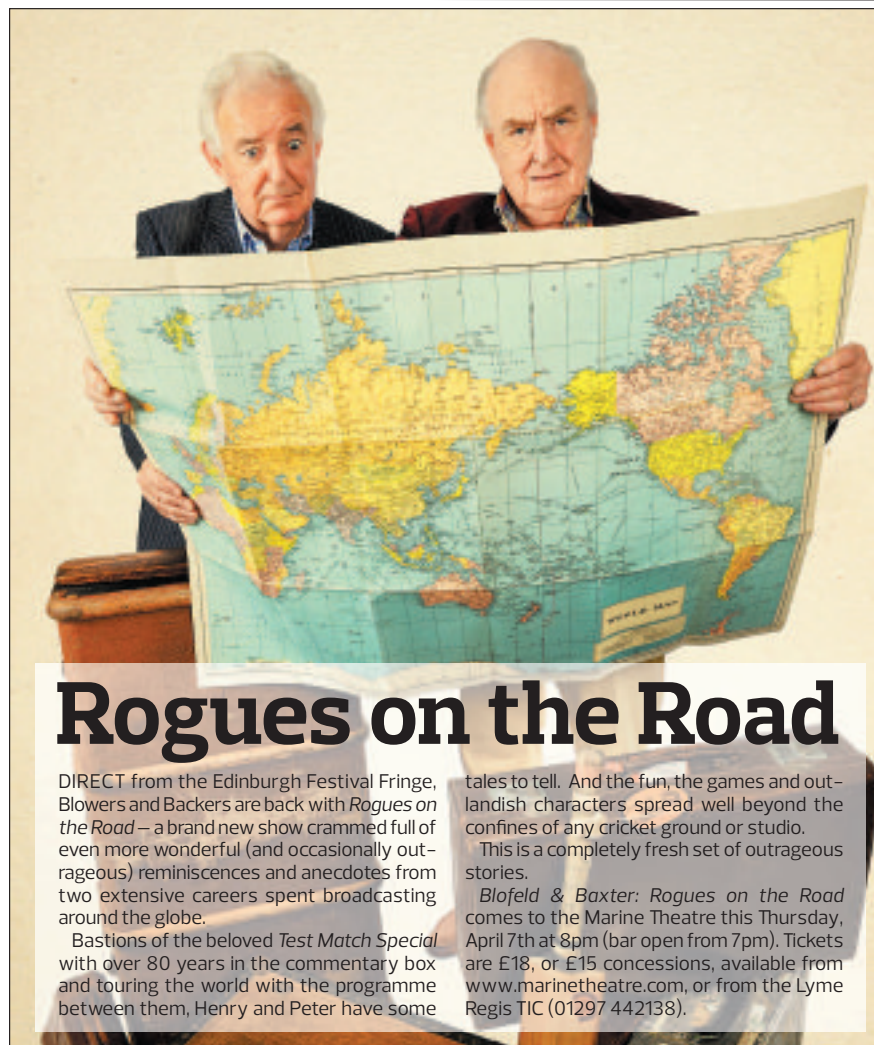
country often bringing their faithful Hell Hounds along for the ride.

Their guitarist is Les Carter of the Unstoppable Sex Machine fame (frequently shortened to Carter USM). Carter USM headlined Glastonbury's Pyramid Stage in 1992.

Ferocious Dog play at Exeter Phoenix this Friday, April 8th, doors from 8pm. Tickets are £13.50 available from the box office on 01392 667080.



Ferocious Dog



Rogues on the Road

DIRECT from the Edinburgh Festival Fringe, Blowers and Backers are back with *Rogues on the Road* - a brand new show crammed full of even more wonderful (and occasionally outrageous) reminiscences and anecdotes from two extensive careers spent broadcasting around the globe.

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tales to tell. And the fun, the games and outlandish characters spread well beyond the confines of any cricket ground or studio.

This is a completely fresh set of outrageous stories.

Blofeld & Baxter: Rogues on the Road comes to the Marine Theatre this Thursday, April 7th at 8pm (bar open from 7pm). Tickets are £18, or £15 concessions, available from www.marinetheatre.com, or from the Lyme Regis TIC (01297 442138).

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Diary Dates

WEDNESDAY APRIL 13TH

SEATON: Talk by David Morgan 'The History of Rover from Bicycles and Motor Cars to the Jet Engine'. At Seaton Men's Probus, Methodist Church Hall, Scalwell Lane, Seaton, 10am.

COLYFORD: Axe Valley Centre, National Trust, illustrated talk by John Dare, Master Stonemason entitled 'From Beer to Brisbane'. Colyford Memorial Hall, 2.30pm, non member welcome, £2.00 including refreshments.

CREWKERNE: Bingo – Cash prizes – "eyes down" at 2.30pm at Henhayes Centre.

THURSDAY APRIL 14TH

SIDMOUTH: Market in St John's building, Blackmore Drive. 9–4pm. Variety of stalls, hot and cold food, refreshments available. Free entry.

AXMINSTER: Axminster Health and Wellbeing Centre Pamper Night. Come for drinks and nibbles and a complementary therapy treatment. Green tickets – £5 – this includes admission, a drink and nibbles. Gold tickets – £15 – this includes a drink, nibbles and a one to one complementary therapy session. Call 01297 32331 to find out more about the treatments and to book your tickets. Booking is essential. www.axminsterwellbeing.com

COLYTON: Guided History Walks around Colyton. Starts 2pm from the town car park, lasting approx 1 hour. £3 per head, under 16s free. Includes visit to the Heritage Centre. Booking not needed, and regardless of weather. For more details call 01297 552514 or 33406, or visit www.colyton-history.co.uk or www.colytonheritagecentre.org

CREWKERNE: Over 50s Keep Fit at Henhayes Centre – 10am to 11am. £2.50 for members/ £3.50 for non-members

SEATON: Seaton Garden Club monthly meeting will take place at 2.30 pm at the Masonic Hall, Queen Street, Seaton. Talk by Mike Burkes from Gold Club entitled 'Plant Folklore – Part 1' with distribution of plants for the plant competition to be judged in August. Also judging of our bulb competition from September 2015. Visitors welcome, charge £2 to include refreshments. Contact details 01297 24049.

FRIDAY APRIL 15TH

CREWKERNE: Sequence dancing at the Victoria Hall from 1.45pm to 4pm. Tea and Biscuits. Raffle. £2 per person. More details call 01935 415520 or 01308 862866

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SATURDAY APRIL 16TH

CHARD: 'Glorious Spring' – in all its seasonal shades' Weekend Dancing with Dancing Duo Henry & Jeannie. At Chard Guildhall, 8–11pm. Free parking after 6pm in Council car park (Not Lidl's). Pay on the door, £6.

HORTON: Ile Valley Flower Club Charity Quiz Night with Ploughmans Supper. At Horton Village Hall. £6 per person, teams of four. Prizes for the winners and runner up. For more details call 01460 75025 67149 or 01823 480017.

HORTON: The Ile Valley Flower Club are holding a Quiz Night with a sandwich supper at Horton Village Hall. £5 per person bring your own drinks, coffee available to purchase. Teams of four. In aid of the Dorset and Somerset Air Ambulance. Please book in advance on 01460 75025/67149/01823 480017. All Welcome. Prizes for winners and runner up. Raffle.

COLYTON: Colyton, Colyford and District Memory Café 20 mile sponsored walk to raise funds for our Memory Café. Memory Café volunteers will be walking through Colyton's surrounding villages in the hope of encouraging many others to visit our Memory café and enjoy all the things which we have to offer. Please look out for sponsorship forms in the Little Shop, Spar (Colyton) and Colyford Post Office. So if you a friend or a loved one is experiencing memory loss or have been diagnosed with Dementia why not come to one of our Memory Cafes and enjoy a relaxing, safe and enjoyable afternoon. 1st Wednesday of every month 2 – 4 p.m. St John Hall King Street Colyton. For more information please ring Diane on 01297 680442.

SEATON: Friends of St Gregory's Parish Church present an organ recital by Scott Angell, 2pm, at St Gregory's Parish Church, Colyford Road. Free entry, donations welcome for the maintenance of the church organ. Refreshments available. For more details call 01297 23656.

SEATON: Royal British Legion Table Sale at the Methodist Church Hall. 9.15am–12.30pm. Donation entry. Ample free parking. Tea/coffee. Warm welcome. For more details call 01297 624313.

TIPTON ST JOHN: Tipton St John School PTFA Pamper night 7pm – 10pm. Tickets are £10 which includes 1

Critically-acclaimed jazz quartet at the Arts Centre

THERE'S a treat in store for jazz fans this month at Ilminster Arts Centre. The Sam Crockatt Quartet comprises four of the most in-demand, creative young jazz musicians in London and they will be bringing their unique brand of contemporary jazz to the Arts Centre on Saturday, April 23rd.

Led by saxophonist Sam Crockatt, the band features Kit Downes on piano, Oli Hayhurst on bass and Ben Reynolds on drums. Each member of the group has a strong individual voice that blends to form a cohesive,

swirling band sound equally at home on Crockatt's originals as on jazz standards. Their music is lyrical, free and light of touch, but never loses sight of the melody. The band's first album, 'Howeird', won album of the year in the Parliamentary Jazz Awards 2009; their latest 'Mells Bells' takes its inspiration from Crockatt's home village in Somerset.

Helen Mayhew of Jazz FM has praised their performances as being "full of power and invention, delivered with precision, poise, and grace" while John Fordham of the

Guardian relished their "haunting lyricism". The Quartet's Ilminster date offers local audiences an exciting chance to see for themselves a band that that has been attracting considerable critical acclaim. Advance booking recommended.

The Sam Crockatt Quartet play at Ilminster Arts Centre on Saturday, April 23rd at 8pm. Tickets are £14, and a pre-show supper is available for £13 from 7pm, but must be booked in advance. For more details or to book call 01460 54973 or visit www.meetinghouse.org.uk



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AXMINSTER: Carnival Bingo at the Guildhall. Doors open 7pm, eyes down 8pm.

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CREWKERNE: Computer Group at Henhayes Centre – Questions answered and help provided. 10am to 12 noon

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HONITON: Honiton U3A talk, with speaker Dr. Sam Bridgewater, Nature Conservation Manager for Clinton Devon Estates who will give a talk on The East Devon Pebblebed Heaths known locally as Woodbury Common, an area which presents one of the last places to experience wilderness in East Devon. At the Beehive, Dowell Street. Doors 1.30pm, for 2pm start. Members free, visitors welcome (suggested donation of £2). For more details call 01404 598008.

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CREWKERNE: Over 50s Keep Fit at Henhayes Centre – 10am to 11am. £2.50 for members/ £3.50 for non-members

FRIDAY APRIL 22ND

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Pulman's Property View

WHAT'S NEXT FOR THE HOUSING MARKET?

WE'RE BARELY INTO 2016 AND ALREADY HOUSE PRICES HAVE LEAPT TO NEW HIGHS...

THE average value of a UK home hit a record high of £292,000 in January after increasing by 7.9% annually, according to the Office for National Statistics (ONS).

Meanwhile, property website Rightmove has reported that the average price tag on a property coming to market across England and Wales has passed the £300,000 mark for the first time.

The struggle for people to get on the housing ladder has also been laid bare.

The ONS figures also show that a first-time buyer faces paying 7.7% more for a property in the UK than they did a year earlier, with the average price paid for a starter home standing at £222,000 in January 2016.

And another report, from estate agent Hamptons International, found it would take a single first-time buyer 13-and-a-half years to build a big enough deposit for a home, while couples face a wait of three-and-a-half years.

That report, which covered England and Wales, assumed someone would need to raise a 15% deposit to buy a home. It also assumed aspiring buyers were working full-time and saving 22% of their income towards a deposit after paying essential bills.

So with the UK housing market already on full steam ahead for 2016, what's next in the coming months?

Well, one of the reasons behind the strong activity seen so far in 2016 is thought to be a stamp duty increase for

people buying second homes, such as buy-to-let investors, in England, Wales and Northern Ireland.

The increase has just kicked in, as of April 1, so its full effects are yet to be seen.

The three percentage point increase on previous stamp duty rates for this sector of the market was announced by the UK Government towards the end of 2015, and there have been signs of investors rushing to complete sales before the deadline.

In Scotland, stamp duty land tax (SDLT) has been replaced by the land and buildings transaction Tax (LBTT).

However, similar tax hikes on the purchase of additional homes such as second homes or buy-to-let properties have also been introduced in Scotland, as of April 1, with the intention being to avoid any potential distortions in Scotland that could arise from the stamp duty increase in the rest of the UK.

Various suggestions have been put forward as to the impact the tax hikes might have on the market.

Some experts believe the extra costs will be passed on by landlords to rental sector tenants in the form of higher rents.

A report from the Association of Residential Letting Agents (ARLA) found that nearly two thirds (63%) of letting agents predict the supply of buy-to-let properties

By Vicky Shaw, Press Association

will now start to fall as landlords are pushed out of the market, and nearly six in 10 (57%) believe rents will be pushed up.

But the coming months could also present an opportunity for first-time buyers, who can find themselves competing for the same property types that investors also go for.

Simon Rubinsohn, chief economist at the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors (RICS), says the pace of house growth could start to "slacken" if demand from buy-to-let investors shrinks a bit in the coming months.

He says there have been signs of buy-to-let investors and people buying holiday homes looking to accelerate their plans. This means some sales that may otherwise have taken place later in the year have now been brought forward.

However, an array of schemes designed to help people move onto or up the housing ladder may fill any gaps left by a drift off in demand from investors.

Rubinsohn says that with various Government schemes such as Help to Buy upping the demand from buyers, it is hard to predict the impact of the stamp duty hike.

He says: "We're going to see sales activity continue to move ahead but it's going to be a bit harder to build up the numbers. First-time buyers may find the landscape a bit more favourable."

WHAT IS THE NEW FLOOD RE SCHEME?

FLOOD RE is a new insurance scheme to help households in higher-risk areas get access to more affordable cover and a wide choice of policies.

Launching on April 4, the scheme works with insurance companies so that people who own and live in properties that are most likely to flood can shop around more easily to find policies with more affordable premiums and excesses. It is hoped that the increased competition will help drive down premiums for those affected.

The scheme will help people who buy buildings or contents insurance for properties that are at risk of flooding, providing they own and live in them.

It is estimated that, over time, around 350,000 UK households could benefit from Flood Re. Consumers will not need to deal with the scheme directly and will still buy their insurance as usual.

The Association of British Insurers (ABI) says some insurers will be contacting customers directly to tell them about how Flood Re can make a difference.

Consumers can also call their insurer to find out if they can offer new options. The ABI says it is also a good idea to shop around, as the existence of Flood Re should, over time, mean more choice of affordable flood cover, even for those at high flood risk.



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A stunning contemporary open plan apartment, which has been subject to an extensive refurbishment programme by the current owner. This stylish apartment offers flexibility for an incoming purchaser to adjust the layout to suit their needs if required. Tenure: Leasehold, EPC: D



AXMINSTER £249,950

Prepare to be amazed at this wonderful home that encases one of the most spectacular, contemporary interiors ever seen in the area. This wonderful home has been subject to a comprehensive and innovative refurbishment, and now offers practical and well thought out living space that benefits from quality designer craftsmanship and offers a unique turnkey opportunity. Tenure: Freehold, EPC: B

NEW! AXMINSTER £245,000



A mid terrace character cottage, arranged over three floors, which is located a short walk from the centre of the market town of Axminster. Accommodation at the property comprises briefly of a living / dining room, fitted kitchen, family bathroom, master bedroom with en-suite facilities and three further bedrooms. Tenure: Freehold, EPC: E

NEW! AXMINSTER £269,950



A three bedroom detached bungalow situated within a convenient location. Only a short walk from all the amenities of the market town of Axminster, this well-rounded property is complete with enclosed rear garden, single garage and off street parking. Tenure: Freehold, EPC: D



AXMINSTER £325,000

A detached four bedroom family home, situated in a popular location on the southern edge of the market town of Axminster. This substantial property dates from the 1930's and offers well-proportioned accommodation including a master en-suite. Worthy of note is the large kitchen and lounge / diner area, which has been thoughtfully modernised to create a social hub for the family. Tenure: Freehold, EPC: D



AXMINSTER £365,000

A superbly presented three bedroom bungalow conveniently situated close to the facilities on offer in the market town of Axminster. Offering good size accommodation, integral garage, parking and with well-tended gardens, this modern home demands viewing to be fully appreciated. Tenure: Freehold, EPC: D



BIRCHILL, AXMINSTER £389,950

A semi-detached thatched period cottage, which offers commanding views over the East Devon countryside. Ideal for buyers seeking a tranquil rural location as well as a peaceful lifestyle, and a garden which appears to seamlessly join with the countryside beyond. Tenure: Freehold, EPC: E



AXMINSTER £215,000

A delightful property positioned a short walk away from the facilities on offer in the market town of Axminster. Accommodation comprises of fitted kitchen, lounge, cloakroom, 3/4 bedrooms and a family bathroom. Tenure: Freehold, EPC: B

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AXMINSTER £175,000

A two bedroom home built in the 1900's located within walking distance of the facilities on offer in Axminster. This property has been updated to include a loft room and also benefits from gas central heating, double glazing, single garage with off road parking and no onward chain! Tenure: Freehold, EPC: F

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NEW TO PENNYS

Scalwell Mead, Seaton

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- Semi detached bungalow
- Two bedrooms
- Lounge/diner
- Modern fitted kitchen
- Large conservatory
- Gas central heating
- Single garage and off road parking
- Gas central heating
- Good size rear garden
- Upvc double glazing throughout
- Energy Performance is: D

NEW



NEW AND EXCLUSIVE TO PENNYS

Court Lane, Seaton

£450,000

- A spacious, extended detached house
- Completely self contained one bedroom annexe (excellent income potential)
- Three/four bedroom accommodation
- Characterful living room, dining room/
- bedroom 4, impressive kitchen/sun lounge
- Gas central heating and double glazing
- Utility room and ground floor cloakroom
- Long driveway and extensive parking
- 41 foot detached extra length garage
- Landscaped, lawned gardens with timber decking
- Desirable, highly convenient level location with easy access to town and beach
- Energy Performance is: D

NEW PRICE

**Boswell Way, Seaton**

£214,500

- Semi detached chalet bungalow
- Two double bedrooms
- Lounge / Diner
- Kitchen
- Gardens to the front, level rear yard
- Modern Upvc double glazing
- Gas central heating
- Off road parking and single garage
- Peaceful residential area
- NO ONWARD CHAIN
- Energy Performance is: E

NEW



NEW AND EXCLUSIVE TO PENNYS

Marsh Road, Seaton

£250,000

- An end of terrace house
- Living room and separate dining room
- Highly convenient, central yet tucked away location
- Three bedrooms
- Gas central heating
- Sealed unit double glazing
- Attractive, good sized, secluded rear garden
- Ideal family home
- Garage and parking area
- Scope to convert the loft area STPP
- Energy Performance is: D

NEW PRICE

**Bowd Court, Sidmouth**

£289,950

- Characterful three bedroom attached barn conversion
- Convenient location within easy reach of the coast at Sidmouth
- Open plan living space
- Electric heating
- Secondary double glazing
- Level garden to rear with summerhouse
- Single garage in block and parking space
- Ideal 'lock up and leave' second/holiday home
- Energy Performance is: TBC

NEW PRICE

**Shells Lane, Colyford**

£115,000

- Attractive second floor apartment in period building
- One double bedroom
- Peaceful, tucked away semi-rural location
- Lounge with balcony
- Kitchen/breakfast room
- Luxury fitted bathroom with separate shower
- Sealed unit double glazing and electric heating
- One allocated parking space
- NO ONWARD CHAIN
- Energy Performance is: D

NEW



NEW TO PENNYS

Shearwater Way, Seaton

£179,950

- Spacious second floor apartment
- Two double bedrooms
- Open plan living area
- Entry phone system
- Balconys
- UPVC sealed glazed units
- Allocated parking space
- Fitted kitchen
- Fitted bathroom suite
- Fitted carpets
- Energy Performance is: B

NEW PRICE

**Townsend Avenue, Seaton**

£269,950

- A detached bungalow
- South facing
- Quiet residential location
- Sealed unit double glazing
- Gas central heating
- Two double bedrooms
- Study
- Kitchen/breakfast room
- Sunny lounge with sea views
- Pretty rear garden
- Energy Performance is: D

NEW PRICE

**Manor Court, Seaton**

O.I.E.O £190,000

- A modern two bedroom detached coach house
- Master bedroom with en-suite shower room
- Well presented throughout
- Prime, tucked away town centre location
- Contemporary fitted kitchen
- White suite family bathroom
- Integral garage with power connected
- Level secluded garden
- NO ONWARD CHAIN
- Energy Performance is: C

NEW

**Trevelyan Road, Seaton**

£162,000

- A charming First Floor Apartment
- One double bedroom
- Lounge/Diner with stunning harbour and sea views
- UPVC double glazing
- Kitchen and bathroom with views of the harbour and Axe Cliff
- Located within very close proximity of the beach
- Allocated parking space
- Flat 1 also available in the same building (£175,000)
- Ideal holiday home or investment
- NO ONWARD CHAIN
- Energy Performance is: C

**Trevelyan Road, Seaton**

£175,000

- Attractive double bedroom ground floor apartment
- Spacious living room and modern fitted kitchen
- Outlook towards the Harbour and Axe Cliff
- Stunning location yards from the sea front and beach
- Gas central heating and sealed unit double glazing
- Off road parking and enclosed level, walled garden to rear
- Flat 2 in the same building is also available-please enquire for details
- NO ONWARD CHAIN
- Energy Performance is: D

**Hawkesdown Close, Axmouth**

£210,000

- Three bedroom period semi-detached house
- Peaceful village location
- Large kitchen / diner with fireplace
- An attached workshop store with potential to convert
- Living room with open fireplace
- Family Bathroom
- Upvc double glazing
- Radiators running from multi-fuel stove, also electric radiators
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- Energy Performance is: E

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VALE LANE



JUST LISTED
A charming stone built terraced cottage situated in a quiet lane within easy walking distance of all the towns amenities. The accommodation comprises living room, kitchen overlooking the garden, spacious main bedroom with built-in wardrobe and original cast iron fireplace, office/childs bedroom, bathroom with electric shower, Upvc replacement tilt and turn double glazed windows, delightful rear garden with brick built store shed. Ideal for investment buyers – no chain. EPC rating E. £129,950

NORTH STREET



JUST LISTED
In need of modernisation, this original, 2 double bedroom detached Bungalow is situated within easy walking distance of the town centre and enjoys wonderful countryside views to the West. Although in need of work the bungalow benefits from gas fired central heating and double glazing and comprises Porch, Entrance Hall, Spacious Lounge/Dining Room, Kitchen, 2 Double Bedrooms, Bathroom, Separate WC, Large garden, Long Driveway and Garage. No Chain. £179,950

KIRBY CLOSE



Ideally suited as a home for a first time buyer, this semi-detached 2 bedroom house enjoys a south facing garden and ample off street parking on the adjoining driveway. Accommodation comprises: living room, kitchen/diner, 2 bedrooms, bathroom, front and south facing rear gardens, driveway provides parking, gas fired central heating and replacement double glazing. EPC rating C. £125,000

WIDEPOST LANE



NO CHAIN
Two bedroom cottage benefiting from a downstairs bathroom and a central location close to train station and local amenities. Opportunity to create an off road parking space. EPC TBC. £145,000

FOSSEWAY CLOSE



An extended detached 3 bedroom bungalow, enjoying a private corner plot garden and within easy walking distance of the town and all amenities. Accommodation comprises: entrance hall, dual aspect living / dining room, kitchen, utility area, conservatory, inner hall, master bedroom with large en-suite, 2 further bedrooms, wet room, gardens, driveway and garage. EPC rating D. £269,950

FLAX MEADOW LANE



Lovely modern large four bedroom house benefiting from garage and close proximity to axminster town centre. Property comprises, entrance hall, cloakroom, kitchen/diner, lounge, 4 bedrooms, ensuite, family bathroom and shower room, Garage and garden. EPC rating C. £239,950

VALE LANE



NEW PRICE
This superbly refurbished town centre, semi detached house offers gas fired central heating and fully fitted integral kitchen. The accommodation comprises entrance hall, spacious kitchen with island unit and fully integral fitted kitchen with dining room, utility room and downstairs cloakroom, large living room with feature fully opening patio doors to the rear garden, 3 bedrooms (master en-suite), family bathroom. Ample parking. Gardens. Viewing highly recommended EPC rating D. £272,000

HAWKCHURCH



This most attractive flint stone terraced house is situated in the heart of this sought after village yet enjoys a country aspect with views over adjoining countryside. The spacious and well planned accommodation comprises Entrance hallway with Cloakroom, a through Lounge/Diner with access to the level rear garden, Kitchen, 3 Bedrooms and Bathroom. The house also benefits from having a garage and an allocated parking space. With no onward chain viewing is recommended. EPC TBC. £250,000

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Seaton, Attractive Detached 2 Bedroom Bungalow. £305,000

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Seaton, Semi Detached House at Heart of Seaton. £265,000

An attractive and stylish three bedroom semi detached house situated at the heart of Seaton, adjacent to all the amenities and only a short distance from the beach. Courtyard garden and Garage. EPC Rating D.



Seaton, Country House. £625,000

A rare opportunity to purchase a substantial portion of a Grade II listed country house standing in gardens and grounds of over half an acre with outstanding Axe Valley and sea views. Integral garage. EPC exempt.



Colyton, 3/4 bedroom Period House. £385,000

No onward chain. A delightful 3/4 bedroom period detached house located at the heart of the town with the benefit of a garden, garage and parking. EPC rating E.



Beer, Attractive Semi Detached House. £370,000

A most attractive three bedroomed period semi detached house, presented in excellent order throughout. Attractive landscaped gardens. Garage/Workshop and ample onsite parking. EPC rating D.



Seaton, Retirement Apartment. £89,950

A two bedroom third floor retirement apartment in a purpose built development for the over 55's conveniently located close to the centre of Seaton with all its amenities and only a short distance from the beach. EPC rating C.



Colyton, Four Bedroom Detached Family Home. £335,000

A most appealing four bedroom detached family home located in a quiet cul-de-sac with the benefit of attractive outward views over the hills surrounding Colyton. Integral garage, landscaped gardens and rear and additional onsite parking. EPC rating D.



Seaton, Attractive Detached Chalet Bungalow. £269,950

A well presented three bedroom chalet bungalow located on the outskirts of Seaton, having been subject to a comprehensive renovation programme. Gardens. Garage and onsite parking. EPC rating D.



Seaton, Superb Detached House. £445,000

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Seaton, 3 Bedroom House with Garden. £795 pcm

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Seaton, 2 Bedroom Ground Floor Apartment. £225,000

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Seaton, 3 Bedroom Semi Detached Bungalow. £242,500

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EPC D

Branscombe

£399,950

- Semi Detached Family Home
- Three Bedrooms
- Great Views & Large Gardens
- Quiet Location Close to The Sea



EPC C

Seaton

£365,000

- Three Bedroom Detached Bungalow
- Quiet Location & Views
- Garden with Patio Area
- Renovated Throughout



EPC D

Seaton

£300,000

- Detached Family Home
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EPC F

Beer Hill

£219,500

- Beautiful Second Floor Apartment
- Two Double Bedrooms
- Large Lounge & Sea Views
- Communal Garden & Parking



EPC AWAITING

Colyton

£200,000

- Attractive Two Bedroom Home
- One Large Reception Room
- Modern Fitted Kitchen
- Attractive Walled Garden



EPC E

Colyton

£175,000

- End Terraced Property
- Two Bedrooms
- Patio Garden with Small Outbuilding
- Close to Town Centre



EPC AWAITING

Havenview

£165,000

- Ground Floor Apartment
- Two Double Bedrooms
- Spacious Kitchen & Lounge
- Communal Garden & Parking



EPC D

Seaton

£145,000

- Two Double Bedroom Home
- Countryside Views
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EPC B

Harbour

£105,000

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- One Double Bedroom
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Raymonds Hill £365,000

Detached five bedroom family home.



Seaton £395,000

Attractive four bedroom property close to town centre.



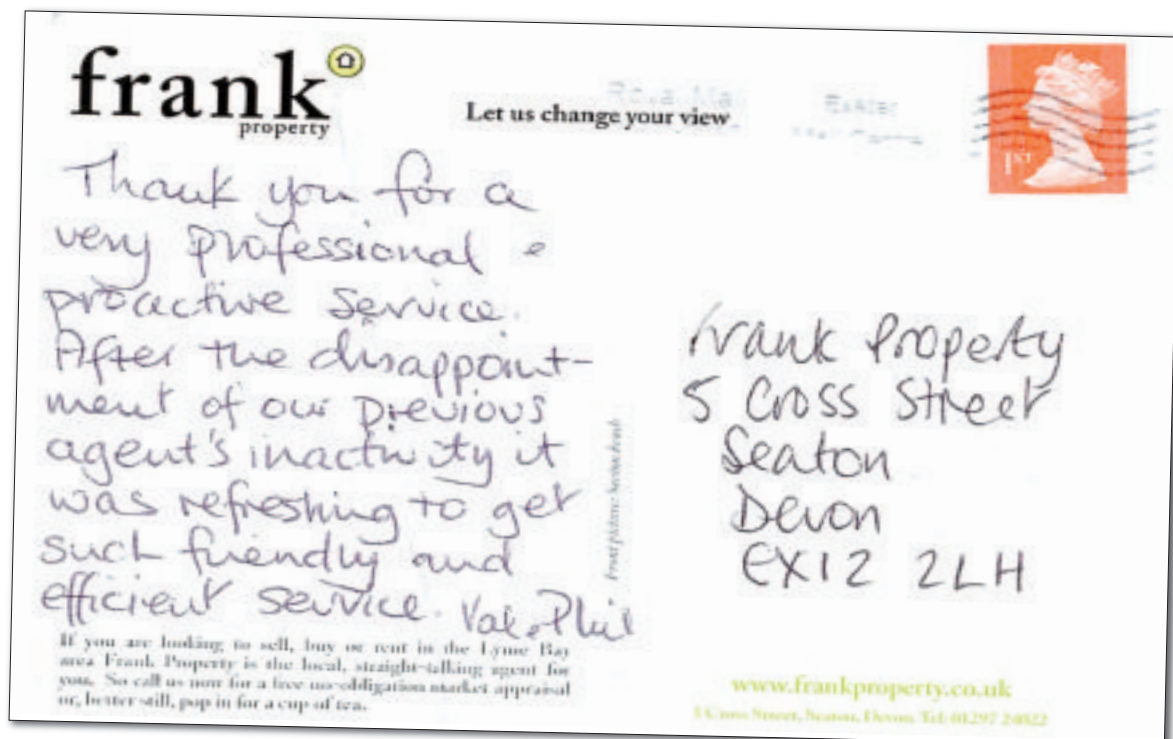
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Three bedroom family home.



Colyton £320,000

An attractive three storey period property with potential for several uses.



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SEATON £89,950



Period ground floor one bedroom apartment in a tucked away location in the heart of Seaton Town Centre. EPC rating D.

SEATON £218,000



Well presented, semi-detached chalet bungalow with two double bedrooms, landscaped garden, garage and off-road parking. The property offers excellent storage facilities and is offered with no onward chain. EPC rating D.



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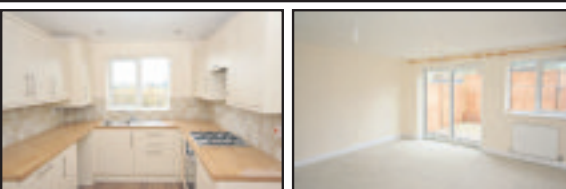
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Ilminster £675 pcm



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Ilminster Office 01460 207333

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Lyme Regis

£895 pcm

A well presented 3 bedroom town house in the popular seaside town of Lyme Regis. Master bedroom with en-suite, garage and enclosed garden, the property has sea views and is available early May. Small Pets and children considered. EPC rated C

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Kilminster

£850 pcm

A well presented three bedroom cottage situated in the village of Kilminster. Lounge with log burner, office/utility and cloaks, conservatory. Off road parking and garage and enclosed garden. Offered Fully furnished, Pets and children considered. Available end April. EPC band E.

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Axminster

£750 pcm

A well presented terraced property close to the town centre and station. Comprising entrance hall, dining room, lounge, kitchen, utility room, boot/store room, two bedrooms, attic room, bathroom, garden, garage and parking. Available Immediately. EPC band D.

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Axminster

£750 pcm

A well presented and spacious three bedroom terraced house situated within walking distance of the town centre. Separate lounge and dining room, enclosed rear garden and garage. Pets are considered. Available immediately. EPC rating D

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£670 pcm

A modern terraced house with two double bedrooms. Situated on a new development within walking distance of the town centre. Benefits from enclosed rear garden and parking. EPC to be confirmed. Available mid April. Regret no pets

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Axminster

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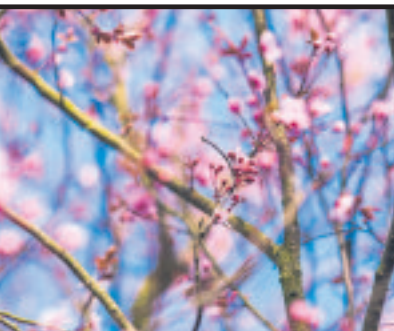
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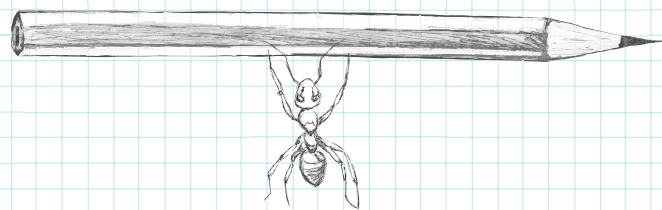
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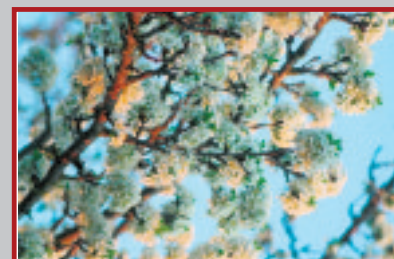
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New Alfa Romeo Giulietta now on sale in the UK

The new Alfa Romeo Giulietta has gone on sale in the UK today with revised styling, enhanced specification, new technology, a simplified range structure and a new engine and transmission combination to meet the evolving demands of the premium hatch-back buyer.

The new front-end styling comprises a striking new honeycomb grille, piano black bumper inserts (with red highlights on sporty models) and revised headlamp and fog lamp surrounds. The new look is complemented by new Alfa Romeo and Giulietta badge designs, new alloy wheels, revised tail pipes and new colours (Alfa White and Lipari Grey), while the interior benefits from revised seat upholsteries and dash-

board/door panel finishes, a new trip computer display and a Uconnect infotainment system now with smartphone-enabled LIVE services including music streaming with Deezer and Tuneln, news from Reuters, Facebook and Twitter check in, eco:Drive and my:Car services and traffic updates for navigation-equipped models.

Under the bonnet there's now the option of combining the 120hp 1.6-litre JTDM-2turbo diesel engine with the ALFA TCT twin dry-clutch transmission. Employing second-generation MultiJet technology with a variable-geometry turbo charger, this engine produces 120hp at 3,750rpm and an impressive 320Nm of torque from just 1,7450 rpm and, when paired with

Alfa Romeo's quick-shifting and smooth ALFA TCT transmission, it can be used as a full automatic (with its responsiveness and shift patterns adjusted via the three-mode Alfa D.N.A. drive selector, along with the power steering assistance, ESC and Q2 electronic differential settings and throttle and brake responsiveness) or as a full

manual, either by slotting the gear selector into its sequential gate or by using the standard steering wheel paddle shifters.

This engine and transmission combination has a top speed of 121mph and can accelerate from 0 to 62mph in 10.2 seconds, while its official combined cycle fuel-economy and emissions figures matches those of the manual version, returning 74.3 MPG (3.8 l/100 km) and producing just 99 g/km of CO₂.

In the UK, the new Alfa Romeo Giulietta's model range features five trim levels: Giulietta, Giulietta Super, Giulietta Tecnica, Giulietta Speciale and Giulietta Veloce. The entry-level Giulietta now benefits from burnished headlamp surrounds, satin-finish door handles and new oblique tailpipes, while inside there are new grey and black fabric seats with Alfa Romeo logo on the head restraints, new matte black dashboard insert and luxury floor mats.

The Giulietta Super trim level adds dual-zone automatic climate control, cruise control, a front armrest, new 16-inch alloy wheels, front fog lights, rear parking sensors, rear air vents and upgraded seat upholstery and while the engine range comprises the 120hp 1.6-litre JTDM-2turbo diesel (manual or Alfa TCT), 150hp 1.4-litre Turbo Petrol, 150hp 2.0-litre JTDM-2turbo diesel, 170hp 1.4-litre Turbo Petrol ALFA TCT and 175hp 2.0-litre JTDM-2turbo diesel TCT. Prices for the Super range start at £19,300 OTR (1.6-litre JTDM-2120hp).

A new Lusso pack can be added to the

Super model to enhance the elegant look of the car and includes a 17-inch alloy wheel upgrade, sports leather upholstery, a rear armrest with third rear headrest, aluminium kick plates, electric lumbar support on both front seats, a height adjustable passenger seat and the 6.5-inch Uconnect Live system with voice-operated satellite navigation and 3D mapping. The Lusso pack is priced at £2,650.

The new Giulietta Tecnica replaces the fleet-oriented Business Edition and again includes the 6.5-inch Uconnect infotainment system with navigation as standard (albeit with more features), along with the Visibility Pack (automatic lights and wipers, electro-chromatic rear view mirror and electrically folding door mirrors), electric lumbar support on both front seats, a height adjustable passenger seat, front and rear parking sensors and a no-cost choice of pastel and metallic paint finishes. New 16-inch wheels, rear privacy glass and side skirts are additional features over the outgoing Business Edition. The available engine range includes the 120hp 1.6-litre JTDM-2turbo diesel (manual and ALFA TCT), 150hp 2.0-litre JTDM-2turbo diesel and 175hp 2.0-litre JTDM-2turbo diesel ALFA TCT. Prices for the Alfa Romeo Giulietta Tecnica start at just £19,250 OTR (120hp 1.6-litre JTDM-2).

The Giulietta Speciale offers customers the option of combining the sporty look and feel of the high performance Veloce version with a broad selection of engines.

Standard equipment includes a sports suspension; sports bumpers with red Alfa profile; classic, five-hole, 18-inch alloy wheels; Brembo brakes with red, four-piston callipers; new carbon-look headlamp surrounds; an anthracite finish on the mirror caps, door handles, grille and fog light surrounds and the 6.5-inch Uconnect LIVE system with navigation. Prices for the Alfa Romeo Giulietta Speciale start at £24,240 OTR (150hp 1.4 Turbo Petrol MultiAir).

Fabric and Alcantara sports seats, aluminium pedals, a flat-bottom sports steering wheel with red stitching and the carbon-look dashboard surrounds and door panels complete the comprehensive Speciale package and engine choices include the 150hp 1.4-litre Turbo Petrol, 150hp 2.0-litre JTDM-2turbo diesel, 170hp 1.4-litre Turbo Petrol ALFA TCT and 175hp 2.0-litre JTDM-2turbo diesel ALFA TCT.

Finally, the new Giulietta Veloce tops the revised line-up and in terms of equipment is similar to the Speciale but with stylish new 18-inch alloy wheels, specific sports suspension tuning, oversized tailpipes and, of course, the most powerful engine in the Giulietta range – the 240hp 1750 Turbo Petrol engine combined with a specially calibrated TCT transmission. Prices for the Alfa Romeo Giulietta Veloce start at £28,480 OTR.

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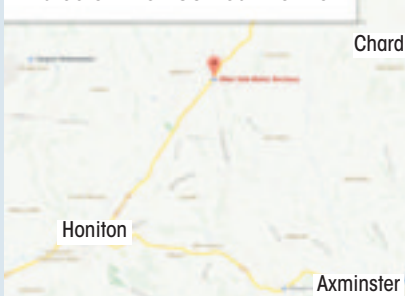
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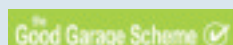


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Order books opening for Volkswagen's rugged new Beetle Dune



▲ The new Volkswagen Beetle Dune

THE Volkswagen Beetle is renowned as an automotive style icon with, perhaps, the most well-known silhouette of any modern car. Original Beetles have been modified in small numbers over the years to suit specialist drivers' requirements and among the most famous of these are the 'Baja Bugs' vividly associated with west coast America.

Now the spirit of those original conversions is rekindled in the mod-

ern Beetle range with the UK showroom debut of the exciting new Beetle Dune. Engineered and styled to pay tribute to those off-road heroes, and with a ride height raised 10 mm compared with the standard car, the Beetle Dune is designed to offer a vibrant new dimension to the existing Beetle line-up.

Available to order from 5 April through the Volkswagen UK Retailer network, the Beetle Dune's

rugged looks are enhanced via 18-inch 'Mythos' alloy wheels, front and rear wheelarch extensions and bold new bumper designs.

Beetle Dune customers have a choice of Coupe or Cabriolet versions and deliveries of both will begin in June, while a selection of five body colours complement the car's eye-catching styling. The Sandstorm Yellow metallic and Dark Bronze metallic, in particular, have been developed exclusively for the Beetle Dune. Other colour options include Deep Black pearlescent, Black (non-metallic) and Pure White (non-metallic). Parts of the dash and door panels also share the exterior body colour.

Indeed, styling inside and out helps the new car stand out from the crowd. Its adventurous character is emphasised by a large silver-framed central air inlet and a black honeycomb grille. In profile, the black wheel well and body extensions contrast with the eye-catching paint colours. In addition, black side trim strips – stylised 'Beetle running boards' – and 'Dune' bad-

ging underscore the dynamic image of the latest Beetle. At the rear, a large spoiler and new LED lights create a futuristic look.

Inside, extensive use of contrast 'Turmeric' stitching on the sport seats, leather-trimmed steering wheel and parking brake grip help define the new Dune while contrasting areas of the seat system, door trim panels, roof pillars and headlining are finished in black.

The generously equipped new Beetle Dune is based on the existing Beetle's Design trim level which means a comprehensive selection of technology and creature comforts as standard. Among the highlights is the Composition Media system which includes 6.5-inch touch-screen with Bluetooth telephone connection, DAB digital radio receiver, dash-mounted single CD player, MDI (Multi Device Interface) via USB connection, SMS messaging functionality and eight speakers. Standard-fit technology also includes a Light and Sight pack comprising auto dimming rear-view mirror, automatic headlights

and rain sensing wipers, while convenience is enhanced by ultrasonic parking sensors front and rear.

A multifunction leather steering wheel with decorative 'Dune' insert and contrast 'Turmeric' stitching, leather-clad handbrake with contrast stitching and carpet mats front and rear with 'Turmeric' contrast stitching continue the Dune's bespoke look. 'Climatic' semi-automatic air conditioning keeps things comfortably cool inside.

Safety is enhanced via ABS (Anti-lock Braking System) and Electronic Stability Control (ESC) fitted as standard and the Beetle Dune Cabriolet has rollover protection. In addition, all Beetles have Isofix child seat preparation for two rear child seats, tyre pressure loss indicator and a comprehensive suite of airbags.

The Beetle Dune is powered by a choice of two engines. The 1.2-litre petrol TSI engine develops 105 PS and is available with either a six-speed manual or seven-speed DSG gearbox. With both options, the hatch model accelerates from 0 to 62 mph in 11.3 seconds. The 2.0-

litre TDI develops 150 PS and comes with a choice of six-speed manual or six-speed auto DSG gearboxes and, in the hatch version, reaches 62 mph in 9.2 seconds. Top speeds, where legal, vary from 110 mph for the petrol manual to 124 mph for the diesel manual.

Fuel economy ranges from 51.4 mpg (combined) for the 1.2 TSI manual to 62.8 mpg (combined) for the 2.0 TDI manual while CO2 emissions range from 117 g/km to 127 g/km depending on engine and gearbox choice.

Today's production Beetle Dune was presented to the world as a concept car at the Detroit Motor Show in 2014. The concept's off-road interpretation of the classic Beetle design attracted global interest, and was itself a highly successful development of an earlier concept car revealed in Los Angeles in 2000.

The petrol-engined new Beetle Dune costs from £21,300 (RRP OTR), and the diesel version is offered from £23,805 (RRP OTR). For more details please visit www.volkswagen.co.uk.



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ŠKODA targets executive expansion with new A+ SUV

ŠKODA will further strengthen its appeal among senior level company car drivers when its first A+ SUV is introduced, new research confirms.

Unveiled at the Geneva International Motor Show, the VisionS concept car gave the world a strong steer on ŠKODA's hotly-anticipated new large SUV and was met with rave reviews, particularly for its "sleek, chiselled and elegant" styling.

When the production version is revealed later in 2016, it will excite company bosses across the UK, after an in-depth study of the fleet market by ŠKODA revealed that director-level company car drivers (39%) are more than twice as likely to choose SUVs than their more junior counterparts (19%).

With SUVs now the biggest-selling model of car in Europe, growing by around 25% last year in the UK, ŠKODA's next major line-up addition looks set to draw in even more customers.

Henry Williams, Head of Fleet for ŠKODA UK, commented: "We had a record year of fleet sales in 2015, with

the all-new Superb proving a major hit for its outstanding design, technology, practicality and value for money. This complemented the existing popularity of our other models such as the Octavia.

"However, the new A+ SUV – which will take cues from the VisionS concept

car – sees ŠKODA enter an entirely different vehicle category. We can't say much more about its pricing or specification, but I can promise that it will give fleet decision makers and company car drivers a great product with 1st class whole life costs."



▲ ŠKODA targets executive expansion with new A+ SUV

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New technologies and greater refinement for upgraded 2016 Subaru Forester

The Subaru Forester has been upgraded for 2016 to ensure the model maintains its status as one of the most capable and versatile SUVs in its class. The 2016 model-year upgrades to the Subaru Forester – the Japanese manufacturer's bestselling model in the UK – result in improved safety, convenience, comfort and refinement.

The upgraded Subaru Forester will go on sale across the brand's UK dealer network next month. Pricing remains unchanged for all trim levels in the updated Forester line-up, with the range starting from £25,495 (on-the-road) for the 2.0i XE model and £26,995 for best-selling 2.0D XC models.

Every Forester is equipped with two core Subaru technologies: Symmetrical All-Wheel-Drive, affording surefootedness in all conditions; and the latest-generation four-cylinder 'Boxer' engines, contributing to the low centre of gravity beneficial to balance, road holding and handling.

Upgrades to exterior and interior styling

The 2016 Subaru Forester has had an exterior and interior refresh. At the front of the car, the Forester's distinctive hexagonal grille has been updated with a new

'wing' motif grille mesh, while the front bumper has been reshaped and now features new L-shaped chrome trim adding greater visual volume to the lower part of the Forester's 'face'. The change is designed to emphasise the car's relatively low centre of gravity, wide stance and innate stability.

The wraparound headlamps – retaining Subaru's signature 'hawk-eye' shape – feature a new black base paint finish for a sharper appearance. The 2016 model is also fitted with new LED combination lamps at the rear.

Inside the cabin, new materials and technologies have been introduced to further modernise the interior and introduce a higher-quality look and feel, while still retaining the functionality for which the Forester is renowned.

The interior is finished with a higher proportion of soft-touch materials, new piano black and metallic trim, higher-resolution TFT displays and new cloth and leather upholstery options – including a new brown leather option. Following the adoption of Subaru's new 7.0-inch touchscreen infotainment and navigation system in 2015, the changes to the 2016 Subaru Forester are designed to further improve the quality look and

feel of the cabin.

Greater ride comfort and more confidence-inspiring handling

The 2016 Subaru Forester features a range of modifications to improve ride quality and agility, and ensure greater refinement for passengers.

Updated suspension settings at the front and rear ensure the car remains comfortable and refined, particularly over broken or choppy surfaces, while the adoption of a new steering gearbox quickens the steering ratio (from 15.5:1 to 14.0:1) to improve reactions to steering inputs.

The range of engines remains unchanged for the 2016 Forester; buyers can choose from three 2.0-litre horizontally-opposed four-cylinder engines – a 150 PS naturally-aspirated 2.0i petrol engine and a 147 PS 2.0D turbo-diesel unit from Subaru's FB family of engines, and a 241 PS direct injection turbocharged (DIT) petrol unit, engineered for high power, responsiveness and efficiency.

A six-speed manual transmission is fitted as standard to 2.0i and 2.0D models, with an optional Lineartronic CVT automatic transmission. Lineartronic is

standard on XT models, equipped with the 241 PS DIT petrol engine.

In uneven or slippery road conditions, the all-terrain capability of the standard Symmetrical All-Wheel-Drive is enhanced further with the X-Mode on Lineartronic CVT models, a control system which includes Hill Descent Control and makes traction even better than the outgoing model's.



▲ Upgraded 2016 Subaru Forester

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Ashton & Backwell Utd	33	59
Wells City	33	59
Cheddar	33	59
CHARD TOWN	33	58
Hengrove Athletic	31	57
Keynsham Town	35	57
Corsham Town	37	54
Oldland Abbotonians	30	54
Portishead Town	30	50
Culfe Town	31	48
Chippenham Park	35	48
Almondsbury	31	47
Wellington	34	42
Radstock Town	32	42
Roman Glass St George	36	36
Warminster Town	30	33
Westbury Utd	33	30
Devizes Town	33	28
Wincenton Town	30	25
Bishops Sutton	32	5

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Big week for cup hungry Drimpton

Shepton and Barrington both held – Butcher double takes Chard Town back up to 5th – Gutsy win for Ilminster

Saturday, April 2nd

TOOLSTATION LEAGUE D1

OLDLAND ABBOTONIAN'S 0

CHARD TOWN 2 (att: 55)

CHARD Town put the skids under Oldland Abbotonians' recent good run of form with an impressive victory inspired by a first half double by Ed Butcher who took his season's tally up to 16.

The win, the third on the spin, takes the Robins back up to fifth spot in the table just a point behind second-placed Ashton & Backwell.

Robins: J.Hutchings, B.Haines, L.Bailey, G.Chlopecki, W.Spurway, A.Martin, J.Regan, B.Symes (A.Butler 75), L.Woodland, E.Butcher (M.Westlake 80), S.Clark (S.Holland 46).

Chard are due to entertain Portishead Town tomorrow (Wednesday) and Calne Town next Saturday (3pm).

SW PENINSULA LEAGUE D1 (E)

AXMINSTER TOWN 2 GALMPTON UNITED 3
AXMINSTER Town's wait for a home win at Tiger Way in 2016 continues after an insipid first-half display put them on the back foot against visitors Galmpton United.

Galmpton deservedly led 2-0 at the interval but MoM Gary Spiller struck twice for the second time in seven days, including a superb 85th minute free kick to grab a point for Ax.

Tigers: Sc Wells-Burr, M.Smale, B.Clay, E.Dyer, M.Scott (Capt), L.Cleal, G.Spiller, N.Warren, C.Garrett, L.Finn, O.Latas. Subs: T.Pinder, B.Turner, J.Urquart.

Axminster are due to entertain Sidmouth Town in an east Devon derby clash tomorrow (Wednesday, 7.30pm ko).

Perry St Premier (22)	Pld	Pts
Barrington	14	37
Shepton Beauchamp	14	33
Beaminster	13	30
Perry Street	10	28
South Petherton	11	27
Combe Reserves	18	19
Netherbury	17	17
W & M Chinnock	16	17
Winsham Utd	18	16
Chard Utd	16	15
Forton Rangers	17	11*
Crewkerne Town	16	6*

◆ DOUBBLE: Gary Spiller's goals earned Axminster Town a point.

SOMERSET LEAGUE D1 (W)

ILMINSTER TOWN 3

CLEEVE WEST TOWN 2

ILMINSTER Town hosted Cleeve West Town looking to build on some impressive home form coming into the game.

The hosts took the lead just before half time when Alex Paul netted from close range.

The second half began with the visitors equalising after a defensive mistake, before Ilminster found a goal against the run of play through Richard Crabb.

In what was a close fought match a fightback was inevitable and the visitors equalised courtesy of a penalty.

As the final whistle neared Ilminster went on the attack once more with Charlie Rutter turning his man and then showing an impressive turn

of pace before squaring the ball to Brad Miles who found the top corner with an excellent effort.

Keeper Chris May made a superb save late-on from point-blank range and the defence held strong to see out an important victory.

Next up for Ilminster is Saturday's visit by Burnham United (3pm).

MIDDLEZOY ROVERS 3

COMBE ST NICHOLAS 0

"A BAD day – the lads' attitude was terrible, you can't expect to play against a good side like them (Middlezozy) and not give 100 per cent," was Combe Manager Phil Loaring's assessment of his team's performance on Saturday.

The hosts led 2-0 at half-time with the Saints offering very little.

They improved marginally after the break with Joe Simmons squandering a great chance to reduce the arrears when he shot straight at the home keeper when well placed.

Combe are due to visit Glastonbury tomorrow night (Wednesday) before Saturday's visit by Minehead (3pm).

DEVON & EXETER LEAGUE

HATHERLEIGH 4 CHARD TOWN RES 0

Premier Division

CHARD Town Reserves' four-game unbeaten came to an abrupt end as they went down 4-0 at Hatherleigh. The Chard second-string, still lying down in 12th spot, are without a fixture next Saturday.

Chard Town are looking to fill two positions at the club. A replacement is sought for Reserve team manager Stuart Parris who is standing down at the end of the season.

In addition the Robins are looking for a Commercial Manager as present incumbent Adam Tovey has vacated the position which is paid on a percentage basis.

Anybody interested in either role should contact club chairman Richard Allen on 07880 826267.

DUNKESWELL ROVERS 8 ILMINSTER RES 0

Division Six

THE Ilminster Town second-string had a day to forget as they slumped to their biggest defeat of the season and are now in real danger of suffering a second successive relegation.

Ilminster are without a fixture next Saturday.

PERRY STREET LEAGUE

ARTHUR GAGE CUP SF

DRIMPTON'S five-pronged trophy hunt is still on course after a convincing win in east Devon.

The Greens warmed up for Thursday's Dorset Junior Cup Final against Portland United Youth at Bridport (7.45pm ko) in fine style as goals from Terry Farrell (2), Chris Fry and Barry Hayne proved too much as they overcame the challenge of the Hawks for the second time in six days.

Their opponents in the Final at Axminster Town on May 6th will be Misterton who edged past Waytown Hounds 2-1 after extra time at Unity Lane.

Preparations weren't ideal for Missy with assistant manager Paul McCormack forced to don the goal-keeping gloves, "Our regular keeper is injured and the league would not



◆ **STAND-IN KEEPER:** Paul McCormack donned the gloves for Misterton

allow us to play the other one we have signed."

The visitors took the lead when Jon Legg headed in via the underside of the crossbar from a corner.

But Jake Barry equalised soon after and, despite having the lion's share of the game, Misterton couldn't craft the winner until 30 seconds from the end of extra-time when Mike McCormack timed his run perfectly and smashed home a volley.

"I'm glad it didn't go to pens and hope I don't have to play in goal again!" said a happy McCormack.

JACK VENN CUP SF

THE Jack Venn semi-finals were both hard-fought affairs. David Jarvis and Steve Wallace were on target for Shepton Beauchamp Reserves as they squeezed past Chard Rangers 2-1 at Jocelyn Park.

Matt Gaylard netted for the Rangers whose manager Scott Massey felt his side should have won the match.

It was even tighter up at Lightgate lane where hosts South Petherton Reserves were knocked out after a penalty shoot-out by Merriott Rovers.

Andy Moore's opener was cancelled out by Pethy's Ryan Thurgood and the teams couldn't be split.

Rob Stubbins scored one of the successful penalties against his former club as Merriott won the shoot-out 4-2.

PREMIER

BEAMINSTER 2 FORTON RANGERS 1

"WE were awful, it was a lucky win!" was Beaminster manager Adam Herring's view of Saturday's win at the Memorial Ground.

Dan Baggs and Josh Hunter scored the winning goals with Andy Stevenson netting a superb free-kick for the consolation for relegation threatened Forton.

BARRINGTON 2 W & M CHINNOCK 2

BARRINGTON'S title hopes took a blow as they let slip a two-goal lead in the last 15 minutes at Shelway Lane.

The hosts led through an Andy Whitefield strike in first-half stoppage time and doubled their lead through Jan Kasper.

Tom Charles pulled one back with a superb free-kick in the 75th minute and Liam Bennett made it 2-2 late-on.

Barrington felt they had done more than enough to have won the game but were disappointed by some key decisions that went against them.

CHARD UTD 0 PERRY STREET 8

FOUR goals in the last quarter-hour

saw Perry Street gain ground on two of their title rivals.

Two scrappy goals from corners by Josh Chadwick and Conor Richardson had Street in front at the break.

Chard were still in the game after the turnaround but their spirited push was halted by further strikes from Sam Bond and Callum MacHattie.

MacHattie went on to complete his hat-trick in the late goal surge with Darren Contreras and Steve Baker also on target.

COMBE RESERVES 1 SOUTH PETHERTON 2

A LATE Danny Rendell header earned South Petherton a crucial win at Slades Cross but manager Karl Diment felt his side should have had the points sewn up long before then: "We made hard work of it, but it should have been comfortable," said Diment.

They went in to the interval a goal to the good thanks to Jamie Underwood's 29th of the season.

But Combe equalised in the 75th minute through Josh Manley with virtually their only effort of note.



◆ **CRUCIAL GOAL:** Danny Rendell's header clinched vital win for South Petherton.

WINSHAM UTD 1 SHEPTON BEAUCHAMP 1
THERE were mixed fortunes for Shepton Beauchamp midfielder Jamie Spurdle from 12 yards at Bakers Field.

The hosts had led at half-time through Henry Broome's fine finish.

But, with the finishing post in sight, Spurdle coolly slotted home from the penalty spot to square things up. And the former Crewkerne Town star had the chance to secure all three points late-on but missed the target from his second spot kick of the afternoon.

DIVISION ONE

Thorncombe 1 (D.Winter) Barrington Res 3 (G.Jenkins 3), Combe St Nicholas 4 3 (O.Ladd, S.Manley, R.Scott) Uplyme 2 (J.Bearpark, J.Loescher pen), Ilminster Colts 3 (J.Turner, D.Lock, S.Manley) Crewkerne Rangers 1 (T.Fussell), Beaminster Res 1 (J.Kingson) Pymore 2 (T.Hussey, S.Webb).

DIVISION TWO

Hinton 2 (T.Perrett, S.Jewell) Combe St Nicholas B 4 (M.Usher 2, N.Reid, S.Scott), Kingsbury 1 (N.Jefferies) Chard Utd Res 3 (L.Male 2, A.Mather), Merriott Dynamos 0 Farway Utd 2 (J.Murrell 2), Thorncombe Res 0 Winsham Utd Res 1 (D.Slade).

DIVISION THREE

Chard Utd AS p Crew Rangers Res p (Crewkerne no team), Drimpton Res 0 Dowlish & Donyatt 7 (N.Doey, C.Tanner, S.Usher, A.Payne, G.Babb,

D.Vining, L.Dopson), Farway Utd Res 2 (S.Trim, K.Fletcher) Uplyme Reserves 2 (H.Bibb, J.Harris), Halstock p Ilminster Town A p (Ilminster no team), Netherbury Res 2 Chardmouth 1 (D.Rendall pen), Perry Street Res 1 (K.Rowson) Chard Rangers Res 0.

FIXTURES

TONIGHT (Tuesday), April 5th

(all 6.15pm)

DIVISION ONE

Beaminster Res v Waytown Hounds

Crewkerne Rangers v Hawkchurch Utd

Ilminster Town Colts v Combe A

Thorncombe v Misterton

Uplyme v Pymore

DIVISION TWO

Merriott Dynamos v Merriott Rovers

South Petherton Res v Chard Rangers

WEDNESDAY, April 6th (all 6.15pm)

PREMIER

Forton Rangers v Perry Street

Netherbury v Beaminster

South Petherton v Shepton Beauchamp

DIVISION THREE

Chard Utd All Stars v Halstock

Ilminster Town A v Farway Utd Res

Perry Street Res v Fivehead

THURSDAY, April 7th (all 6.15pm unless stated)

DORSET JUNIOR CUP FINAL

Drimpton v Portland Utd Youth (7.45ko)

DIVISION TWO

Merriott Rovers v Thorncombe Reserves

South Peth Res v Shepton Beauchamp Res

DIVISION THREE

Chard Rangers Res v Netherbury Reserves

Crew Rangers Res v Dowlish & Donyatt

Uplyme Reserves v Drimpton Reserves

SATURDAY, April 9th

(all 2.30pm ko unless stated)

DAISY HUTCHINGS CUP QF (2pm)

Merriott Rovers v Misterton

Waytown Hounds v Uplyme

KEN HODGES CUP SF (2pm)

Drimpton v Netherbury Reserves

PREMIER

Barrington v Chard Utd

Beaminster v Crewkerne Town

South Petherton v Perry Street

W & M Chinnock v Shepton Beauchamp

DIVISION ONE

Ilminster Town Colts v Barrington Res (2pm)

Combe St Nicholas A v Hawkchurch Utd

Pymore v Crewkerne Rangers

Thorncombe v Beaminster Reserves

DIVISION TWO

Chard Utd Res v Chard Rangers

Farway Utd v Combe St Nicholas B

Hinton v Kingsbury Episcopi

Shepton Beau Res v Thorncombe Reserves

Winsham Utd Res v South Petherton Reserves

DIVISION THREE

Chard Rangers Res v Drimpton Reserves

Chard Utd All Stars v Fivehead

Crew Rangers Res v Uplyme Reserves

Dowlish & Donyatt v Farway Utd Reserves

Ilminster Town A v Charmouth (4.15pm)

TUESDAY, April 12th (all 6.15ko)

DIVISION ONE

Barrington Reserves v Drimpton

Beaminster Reserves v Combe St Nicholas A

Hawkchurch Utd v Misterton

Pymore v Waytown Hounds

DIVISION TWO

South Petherton Reserves v Merriott Rovers

DIVISION THREE

Dowlish & Donyatt v Drimpton Reserves

Ilminster Town A v Perry Street Reserves

Uplyme Reserves v Halstock

WEDNESDAY, April 13th (all 6.15ko)

PREMIER

Beaminster v Barrington

Perry Street v Winsham Utd

South Petherton v Crewkerne Town

DIVISION ONE

Ilminster Town Colts v Uplyme

DIVISION TWO

Thorncombe Reserves v Farway Utd

Drimpton Reserves v Netherbury Reserves

Fivehead v Chard Rangers Reserves

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Tight shoes time in bid to beat relegation

Weston-super-Mare 33 Chard 19

South West Division One

CHARD were forced to make at least six changes from the side that started last week against Teignmouth due to injuries, holidays and work commitments and one of these gave front row forward Benn Mainwaring his first start after a few appearances as a replacement.

Also back in the team was Nick Hyslop making his first appearance of the season.

The changes meant that Chard took some time to settle, particularly in the set pieces, and they were under a lot of pressure from the start from a Weston team who still have eyes on a play-off position.

Chard were under the cosh in the opening quarter but they kept in the game with some good defensive play, despite also having to contend with playing against a strong wind.

However, Chard buckled after 15 minutes when the hosts crossed for their first converted try. This was followed by Aaron Hunt being yellow carded for an illegal tackle, and from the resultant penalty Weston went over for try number two which again was converted.

Chard then went further behind when they were

caught cold with two breakaway tries after having put the home side on the defensive. Both these tries were converted and Chard were now 28-0 down which did not reflect the pattern of play at all.

In the early minutes of the second half some powerful running from the home centres ended with try number four which this time was not converted.

At this point a really big defeat looked on the cards, but with Chad Northcott orchestrating things at fly half, Chard forced themselves back into the game.

Initially Matt Tinley finished off a good move to get the visitors on the scoreboard with an unconverted try. A few minutes later Weston were split apart defensively when Joe Massey crossed for try number two. Northcott converted, and with ten minutes to go he burst through and scored under the posts. He converted his own try and from 33-0 down Chard were now back to 33-19. They worked tirelessly in the last few minutes to try and get a fourth converted try which would have given them a losing point, and a try bonus point but it was not to be. Next Saturday Chard travel to Clevedon.

SW Division One (26)

Pld +/- Pts

Camborne	23	430	98
Thornbury	23	303	84
Newent	23	171	80
Weston-super-Mare	23	218	77
Bideford	23	85	67
Drybrook	22	110	61
Bridgwater & Albion	23	-71	59
Teignmouth	23	-261	46
Clevedon	22	-18	44
North Petherton	23	-159	42
CHARD	23	-77	42
Wells	23	-183	37
Avonmouth Old Boys	23	-141	36
Coney Hill	23	-407	3

Chard 2nds 49 North Petherton 2nds 3

Somerset Division One

THE Chard 2nd xv have had a wretched season as far as results are concerned so this big bonus point win was a huge morale booster.

They were totally dominant and led from start to finish Keiran Sutherland (2), Jack Elliot (2), Connor Moon, Adrian Philip, Paul Wright and Luke Harker all touching down for tries. The conversions were shared around but a drop kick conversion from Moon was the highlight.

Next Saturday Chard 2nd xv are at home against Im-

perial.

Chard Colts 38 North Petherton 14

CHARD retained their place at the top of the league with this comfortable win against lowly North Petherton.

Chard started strongly and were 10-0 up early on with unconverted tries from Treble and Oaten.

Later in the half Oaten crossed for his second and Read added the fourth. Read converted both and Chard led 24-0 at half time.

The game had to go to uncontested scrums in the second half and Petherton took advantage of some indifferent Chard tackling to cross for a converted try of their own.

They doubled their score with a similar effort and these tries sparked Chard back into life.

Nicholls and Joe Mainwaring crossed for further tries and with Read converting both Chard ended with a comprehensive victory.

One more win from their final three games will ensure that Chard win the Somerset Colts league.

Next Saturday the team are at home to Minehead and this game will be played on the main ground with the 2nd xv playing at Crewkerne Road. Kick off will be 3pm.

starter's orders running round up

Genge leads Chard to team triumph at Taunton

HONITON with Judy Davy

FIVE Honiton runners ran the EASTER BUNNY 10K on Easter Monday, starting at Yeovilton.

Steve Selley led the Honiton runners home in 46.28 and 124th.

Jennie Sleeman followed in 52.51 and 205th (3rd in her age category based on chip time). Then came Nick Thorpe, in 57.07 and 253rd, Sandra Thorpe in 1.01.24 and 299th and Vanessa Glynn Jones in 1.15.12 and 356th.

The winner was Simon Nott of Calne running club in 33.20. There were 366 finishers.

Howard Bidmead took part in the ETON 10k at Windsor which is about the flattest run anywhere and therefore totally boring compared to running amongst the hills in Devon.

The base was at the beautiful Olympic rowing venue at Dorney Lake and there were three distances on offer; 5k, 10k and half marathon.

Howard opted for the 10k which was twice round the lake and finished in 45.44.

The course uses tarmac paths around the lake also used for cycling events. Howard was pleased he only had to run twice round saying he would have lost the will repeating the laps twice more and it is not a race he will be repeating!

CHARD ROAD RUNNERS

THE TAUNTON MARATHON is a challenging flatish run that offers a good time, and CRR's responded well with Bernie Genge running his 100th marathon chasing a London qualifying time.

A sound team performance, inspired by lead run-

ner Bernie Genge, earned CRR's the team prize for the event.

Times; B.Genge 16th/03:14:46 (2nd age cat), R.McLean 20th/03:17:20 (PB), M.Holley 28th/03:21:28, P.Masters 29th/03:22:06 (2nd age cat), S.McLean 34th 03:26:49 (PB).

AXE VALLEY RUNNERS

with Dave Mutter

LUKE Reed ran the YEOVIL EASTER BUNNY last Monday and went well finishing 20th in 37:50. Josh Hopson was 46th, 41:16, another very good performance and William Watson 152nd, 48:30, 3rd Junior male.

Roger Bramley did the BATH HALF MARATHON at the end of March in an impressive time of 1:41. This was all part of his training schedule for the PARIS MARATHON on Sunday which was run in a steamy 21 deg. Roger managed to run a great time of 3 hours 49min.

Four AVR's made the trip to Reading last weekend to run in the READING HALF-MARATHON.

Billed as the fastest half-marathon in the UK, the mainly flat course made for some good times.

Jake Smith was the first of the AVR finishers coming 30th overall out of more than 14,000 finishers in 1:11:41.

Ollie Caute excelled in his first half-marathon finishing 318th in 1:25:17. Tony Smith was the next AVR, 1,157th, 1:37:16 and Sam Miller was delighted to break the 2 hour mark taking 1:59:16, the 4,916th finisher.

Steve Reynolds and Geoff Woodward pounded



♦ ALL SET: Chard Road Runners pictured at Taunton at the weekend. Back row, from left; Matt Baker, Rod McLean. Middle; Paul Masters, Miranda Coleberd, Anna Smith, Lizzy Smith, Mel Boarder, Gary Wheaton, Stevie Potter, Vicky Musslewhite, Nina Wagstaff, Olie Faulkner, Wayne Loveridge, Martin Smith, Gavin Wyatt, Martin Holly. Front; Bernie Genge, Helen Baxter.

around the TAUNTON MARATHON with Steve producing a brilliant result finishing 68th in 3:40:50 and Geoff not far behind 101st, 3:53:46.

Emma Kiernan produced the fastest time in the as-

sociated Half Marathon, she was 120th in 1:37:41. Gavin Warren was 548th, 1:59:18 and Steven Maclure 663rd, 2:06:21.

tee off golf news from honiton, axe cliff and cricket st thomas

Cricket seniors slide to defeat in opening league match

HONITON with John Pawley

WHILST the very wet weather over Easter made it very heavy going, the sun did shine for the Ladies Medal competition on Wednesday.

With nine temporary greens in play the event was a non-qualifier.

In spite of the conditions there were several very good scores with Heather Clarke winning the Silver division with an excellent net 73 followed by Henrietta Bradshaw with a net 75. Bronze One winner was Chris Luttman with net 72 ahead of Cathy Uttley with a net 79.

Bronze Two winner was Jan Portlock with a net 82 on count-back from Di Wall.

Sixty-five Seniors played in a combined Stableford/Eclectic competition on Friday. Musical maestro Malcolm Matthews orchestrated an impressive win in Division One with 39pts, no doubt heading for a handicap cut.

New member Steve Butcher, who is one of the few Seniors with a single-figure handicap, was runner-up with 36. Paul Ritchie and Mike Watts also scored 36 but lost out on count-back.

In Division Two Phil Wall prevailed with

36pts, followed by Mike Sennitt with 35. Bob Cockett and Steve Blundell, came next alongside 'birthday boy' Garth Millard. There were three 2s; David Scott on the 4th after getting a birdie on the 3rd - John Chew also on the 4th and Brian Morrison on the 10th.

A rather dull Sunday morning greeted the men playing the Winter Sun-Am competition.

The last two pairings in the Final were Darren Morgan & Dan Handford pitched against Jon Marchant & Mike Drew.

As with all good finals the outcome was not clear even as they played the 18th.

It finally came down to a putt on the 18th where Marchant knocked in a tricky five footer to seal the victory and claim his first major trophy at the club in his 15 years of trying.

The rest of the men played a Stableford better-ball pairs competition for the consolation prize of the Sun-Am plate.

Winning Sunday's competition, but unable to claim the Sun-Am plate, as they were not originally paired together, were Ross Latham & Jason Lovering with a score of 42 ahead of Paul Borkowski and Ben Phillips - but only on count-back.

They collected the Sun-Am Plate being the

highest placed finishers from all Sun-Am pairings. In third spot with 39 were the young pairing of Norman Runciman & Buzz Harris.

AXE CLIFF with Peter Motson

THE Mens section played their Easter Bowl competition, medal format, with Kevin Miller taking 1st place with a net score of 68. Second place was taken by Steven Anning with a net 72 and in 3rd was Stuart Mackie with a net 74. Jin Hong carded the only two.

The Ladies section played a Qualifying Competition for their Centenary Niblick which was played in stableford format.

First place was taken by Glenda Board with 34pts narrowly beating Sandra Walker (33) in 2nd. The 3rd place was taken withby Margaret Kenchington with 31.

The Seniors section played a Yellow Ball competition - yellow ball scoring double points and best two scores to count.

The winners were: D Lacey, B Graham & P Hornsby with 108 pts. Second place was won by D Weston, B Polley & T Strong with 105pts followed in 3rd place by K Wilson, G Turner & M Jamieson with 102.

Three twos were recorded by D Weston, T Strong and G Turner.

CRICKET St THOMAS with Bert Robinson

TWENTY seven Seniors entered the three-man Texas Scramble on Wednesday where the benign conditions contributed towards some good golf.

Three of the nine teams managed sub-par scores including an excellent gross 64 by Norman Markby, Colin Ireland & Rod Stevens who recorded 32 on both the front and the back nines.

Close behind with a gross two under par 68 were Alan Davis, Danny Dowgeel & Iain Rowland. Third place was claimed by Ian Fielder, Bert Robinson & Bob Dennett with one under par (69).

Meanwhile, 12 seniors travelled to play Axe Cliff in the first match of the season.

It didn't start too well with the opening pair losing their game. However, a recovery was made in games two and three with narrow wins for the Cricket side.

An exciting outcome was produced after games four and five were lost whereby the match could be saved with a win.

Roger Stone and Keith Branchflower had come back from three down to square the game before watching their opponents score

a hole-in-one, followed by a birdie two on the final hole to win their game by two holes, enabling the Axe Cliff to triumph by 4-2.

Results: Nick Hill & Stuart Pope lost to Graham & Mant 5 & 4. Bob Barrow & Lindsey Gage beat Cox & Bruce by 2 holes. Alan Chance & Barrie Singleton beat Cook & Backhouse by 1 hole. Mike Hone & Bryan Frost lost to Grove & Ashbolt 5 & 4. John Pearce & Nobby Hodder lost to A. Morgan & L. Morgan by 2 holes. Roger Stone & Keith Branchflower lost to Hornsby & Polly by 2 holes.

The Seniors concluded their week on Friday with a three-man Bowmaker tournament. Of the 42 players only two managed a sub par round which was indicative of the adverse conditions.

Bryan Frost's 39 points helped his team to win the event by six points over their nearest rivals who, in turn were two better than the third placed team.

Result: 1st Bryan Frost (39); Nobby Hodder (31) & Bob Dennett (33) 103 points. 2nd Brian Anderson (35); Dick Hall (31) & Nick George (31) 97 points. 3rd George Willerton (30); Brian Marsh (34) & Roger Withers (31) 95 points.

youth football

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Jack high bowls news

Lacey lands first ever Merriott over 70s cup

HONITON with Julie Grant

THE last ladies' games brought wins for Honiton. At BUDLEIGH SALTER-TON the ladies won 35-29 with a top rink of Yvonne Williams, Joan Mackintosh, Brenda Harris & Di Morley scoring 24-14.

Later in the week came a 71 to 33 win against EXONIA, top triple Pearl Hackwood, Rita Barwick & Ann Hillyear with a splendid 31-10.

This completes the ladies friendly programme for the indoor season with a final total of seven wins, four losses and three cancelled games of the scheduled 14.

MERRIOTT SHORT MAT

with Anne Weeks

ON Saturday, members participated in a new competition for the **Over 70s Cup** which had recently been donated by member Pam Gregory.

Ten eligible players participated throughout the morning with everyone playing three games. All matches were fiercely and closely fought with the four highest scores going through to the semi finals and the winners to a final.

Ninety-year-old Lacon Noad played a tight game over 10 ends against John Lacey who was the ultimate winner 7-6.

The trophy was presented to John by Pam Gregory who was delighted with the standard of play throughout the contest proving that you are never too old to participate in this game.

This weekend also saw our Somerset Youth member Jack Bradley playing singles in the England under 18s near Derby. He won two of his first three matches and played in the quarter-finals.

Jack fought a valiant match against a player ranked 85th in the world but sadly lost 12-8 but he has been invited to trial for the England team in Tamworth on May 1st.



◆ **FIRST WINNER:** John Lacey receives 70s Cup from Pam Gregory.

swimming chard & district club

Younger members in preliminaries gala success

CHARD & District Swimming Club held another successful Preliminaries Gala last weekend at Flamingo Pool, Axminster.

The Gala, mainly for the 10 and under, is intended to give the Club's newest and youngest swimmers a taster at competitive swimming at a fun, and friendly Gala.

The races were all one length in each of the four strokes, and over 40 young swimmers took part - supported by parents and friends watching from poolside.

Congratulations go to three swimmers who swam under 20 seconds for the first time in their 25m freestyle race and so achieved the Club's Bronze Speed Badge for nine-year-olds and under: Nia McConnell, Alice Clark, Bella Young and Otilie Brazier-Pethick.

They join five other swimmers this year so far who achieved Club speed badges at Club Gala 1 - Helen Underwood, Mia Huntley, Phoebe Clark, Mia Porter and Ben Webb who all achieved the Silver badge for swimming 50m freestyle

in under 36 seconds.

Time-keeping and marshalling was undertaken by Jamie Pullinger, Simon Davies, Henry Taswell, Millie Downes, Briana Barrand, Abi Greenslade, Susan Ross and Tessa Down some the Club's older swimmers who are taking part in the ASA South West Young Volunteer Programme:

They were joined by several 'rookie' parents who were getting their first taste at timekeeping ahead of formal training as timekeepers, so a big thank you to all of them.

All those taking part received a Club Certificate confirming their times, which were presented at the end by Club Chairman Gordon Davis to:

Swimmers taking part: *Esme Huntley, Flo, Nia & Tilly McConnell, Posy Doble, Kaitlyn Flannigan, Abbie Herbert, Catherine Webb, Mia Porter, Bella Young, Alice Clark, Cerys Williams, Lily Sims, Darcie Cockburn, Lola Saxby, Sarah Cawley,*



◆ **FUTURE STARS:** The Chard & District Swimming Club's under 10 members who participated in the gala.

Daisy & Marcie Russell, Alara Jenkin, Emilia Smith, Megan Lees, Delilah Hutter, Emily & Claire Handel, Ava Farthing, Rose Davies, Emily Williams, Sophie Mara, Saara Heddtich, Otilie Brazier-Pethick, Rebecca Randolph, Willow Voysey, Ben Webb,

Finlay Downes, Sam Davies, Oliver Collins, William & Henry Birchall, Harrison Porter, Dylan Nolan, Edward Sims, Finley Jenkin and Noah Peters.

Chard & District are always looking for new members; sessions are held at Axminster, Chard

and Crewkerne, as well as long course training at Millfield School pool.

If you would like to find out more or arrange a free trial please visit our web-site at chardswimming.org.uk

on the fronter - skittles round-up

COLYTON LEAGUE

Mike Hussey Memorial Pairs Cup - qualifying (top two pairs to final).

Group 1 Heathfield - Red Lion A (A Beer, C Miller)93; Sidbury Stones (J Woodford, P Barham)92; White Hart Wilmington A 90; Vine B 88; Cloakham Wanderers 86; Vine Nomads 85; Rising Sun B 84; Honiton Converts 79; Colcombe A 79; Beer 77.

Group 2 Colcombe Castle - Offwell A (J Lockyer, J Monkhouse)118; Beer Albion (J Cobbold, D Williams)108; Three Tuns Hammers 102; Cloakham B 102; Beer Vikings 100; Mountbatten Whites 99; Old Inn Kings 96; Heathfield A 93; Winstons A 91; Beer A 91; New Inn B 84; Honiton ConArtists 78.

Group 3 Cloakham - Kingfisher B (A Hurford, B Dowell)110; New Inn A (G Smith, N Jones) 96; Lamb B 95; Axminster FC A 94; Heathfield B 89; Tuckers Arms C 87; Seaton FC B 80; Offwell B 76; PJs Boots 74.

Group 4 Keer Club - Kingfisher A (M Griffiths, A Parsons)97; Eagle Tavern (B Hutchings, C Hutchings)93; Axminster Con A 86; Gerrard A 86; Vine A 83; Colcombe B 82; Village Inn 77; Honiton WMC A 73.

Group 5 Seaton FC - Lamb A (B Smith M Farmer)99; Red Lion Cavaliers (H Harris, W Phillips) 94; Volunteer A 93; Colyton Club A 90; Red Lion Sidbury 85; Honiton WMC B 85; Wheelwright A 82; Honiton Con D 80; Kings Arms A 77; Seaton Bowling 73.

prizes would be appreciated.

AXMINSTER LEAGUE

Ellis Shield SF results

CLOAKHAM: Ax Inn Jokers 256 (B Dicks 63) Sidmouth Arms 247 (N Parris 58).

AX INN: B&Gs 239 (G Wake 54) Red Devils 224 (R Summers 61).

Men's League 30th March

Div 1: B&Gs 363 (D Board 75) v Ax Con Rebels 342 (P Pomeroy 65) The Feds 363 (P Squire 63) v Red Devils 408 (D Huntley B Huntley 72) Tuckers C 383 (Nigel 69) v Thorncombe B 361 (C Atyeo 68) Red Lion D 399 (D Herbert 76) v Green Army 391 (G Kent 83) Lamb Spartans 332 (C Miller 58) v Lamb A 333 (D Jones 65) Old Inn Kilm A 364 (I Huntley 66) v Tuckers B 317 (B Scholes 60).

Div 2: Red Lion C 381 (J Legg 70) v New Inn C 411 (R Webb 86) Thorncombe A 362 (C Harding 68) v Gerrard D 336 (P Gibbons 60) New Inn A 361 (A Rees D Hodder 65) v Gerrard A 356 (S Riley 73) Wootton Cowboys 338 (I Johnson 59) v Axminster FC 305 (A Brown 60) Colcombe A 434 (A Hurford, F Batten 80) v WH Wilm A 390 (P Jeffery 80) Hawk H/Cs 391 (I Strawbridge 76) v Ax Inn Jokers 385 (Doug Churchill 72) Cloakham Stars 382 (D Baker 68) v Thorncombe C 240 (C Maber R Taylor 80).

Div 3: Lamb 49rs 289 (T Chubb 54) v W H Warriors 294 (N Stone 59) Gerrard B 288 (J Saller 50) v Wootton Sherberts 299 (J Chapman 63) Ax Con Club A 277 (G Thomas 51) v Tuckers Y 276 (R Pearce 55) Kings Arms Seaton 345 (K Massey 69) v Red Lion B 336 (J Trott 66)

White Hart Wilm B24 24
Axe Con Club A24 24
Old Inn Hawk IV23 22
Red Lion B24 22
Colcombe B23 20
Lamb 49s23 18
Tuckers Y23 4

Division Four

Axe Inn A19 28
King Wingers20 28
Colcombe Nomads20 27
New Inn Kilm Hawks20 24
Kingfisher A20 24
Ship Rotary21 18
Gerrard C21 18
Bottle Inn19 16
Tuckers Arms A19 15
Lamb Shanks19 13
Seaton Bowling A19 13
Winston Wobblers19 12

Ladies Division One

Wotnots22 42
Axminster Inn A22 34
Rousdon Ladies22 26
New Inn A22 24
Perfect Pins21 22
New Inn B21 21
Red Lion A22 20
Seaton Bowling22 20
Colcombe A21 20
Gerrard Guzzlers21 18
Bees Knees21 16
Tuckers Arms C22 13
B & Js22 12

Ladies Division Two

Thorncombe Newtops21 34
Colcombe B22 33
Colcombe Girls22 32
Tuckers Arms A22 30
Red Lion Rabble22 28
Gerrard A22 28
Thorncombe A22 20
Tuckers Arms B22 18
Old Inn Kilmington22 16
Cloakham Castaways22 16
Colcombe Angels22 15
White Hart Wilm A21 14
Seaton FC22 14
Axe Inn Allsorts22 8

CREWKERNE & DIST

Division One Pld Pts
Super Sexy Six19 186
Lost Boys18 155

Headhunters19 154
The Coachmen19 128
Stray Cats19 113
Rollers18 104
Football Club19 102
Royal Oak Drimpton19 100
King Willy Dogs19 84
Mighty Ducks19 86
Brewers Bees18 76
Loud & Proud18 57

Top away scores:

K. Bendell 61, M.Sweetman 60, S.Symes 59.

Division Two

Sports 9218 149
Acorns17 133
Rugrats18 120
Raptors17 107
Pinbusters17 103
Hillbillies17 101
Skimmers18 101
Perrott Monkeys16 101
Chris Coits17 80
Fryers16 73
Concorde17 54

Top away scores:

J.Carey 64, A.Newton & S.Caddy both 60.

Division Three

Ugly Ducklings19 155
Fudders19 151
Oakley Doakleys19 148
Muppets18 145
Admiral 618 120
Sandbaggers19 110
That's Wassap19 104
Willy Low Flyers19 100
The Likely Lads19 92
Kings Men19 81
Beer Leg Boys19 81
Rotary19 63

Top away scores:

V.Ball 64, S.Boxall 63, S.Welch 62.

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Division One Pld Pts
Crown Crusaders16 131
Cricketers16 121
Rocky's Rollers16 110
Flying Turkeys16 107
Flying Turkeys AS16 90
Ashill Inn16 89
Hatch Beagles16 81
Royal Oak Faces16 79
Ashill Boys16 48

Wyndham Warriors16 134
Bell Broadway16 113
Bell A16 109
Floaters16 102
Wyndham Clangers16 100
Ilton Choppers16 74
King's Head16 67
Hatch Eggs16 27

EAST DEVON HUNT

Division One

Marvels22 38
Auctioneers22 31
Culm Vale23 30
Ur Arms20 26
Talatons22 23
Blacksmiths22 22
Sutton Wanderers21 20
Foxenhole20 16
Utoptery20 16
Sidford22 16
Perkins Village19 12
Zulu Warriors21 12
Night Owls18 10

Division Two

Marsh Green22 30
Stags22 28
Keepers22 27
A Team22 26
Awilcombe Shoot22 24
Breakaways22 24
Lutecomers22 23
Honiton Clyst21 22
Tuckers Arms21 22
Cocks & Hens20 18
Jack's Lads23 17
Broadcyst24 15
Axe Valley23 10

Division Three

Top Cats22 32
Brooksidars21 30
Yoyo's23 29
Bakers 823 28
Goldtops21 26
New Inn21 24
Guys & Gals22 20
Maynards18 18
Bashers19 18
Yetties21 16
Here for the Beer22 15
Alley Cats19 10
Cee Dee's22 8
Top Scores: Tom Hammett 89, Tracey Ewings 87, Gus York 86.

Division Two

Nomads16 138

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Calling all cricket colts

AXMINSTER TOWN Cricket Club colts are holding their signing-on night for summer coaching on Friday, April 15th, with summer coaching sessions commencing on Friday, April 22nd.

Running for 12 sessions, children will get an hour and 45 mins training with qualified and experienced coaches. This season, there will be three teams; Under 10s Soft Ball Pairs, Under 11s, Under 13s and Under 14s.

The cost of coaching is £40 for the 12 sessions if you pay upfront (or £4 per session).

A fun session will be organised by the coaches for signing-on night, starting at 5.45pm, so please come along to meet our coaches.

For further information, please call Dan on 07845 498057 or email Kerry at atcc-colts@hotmail.co.uk

cribbage news

HONITON

Result: Singles (Vine Inn, March 31st)
Singles Winner New Fountain Inn (Terry Whitthorne), runner up Vine Inn B (Richard Isaac).

v Workingmens B.

Knockout Cup SF(1st leg)
Thirsty Farmer v Feniton Soc B, Workingmens A v Honiton Inn B.

April 14th - Feniton Soc B v Thirsty Farmer, Honiton Inn B v Workingmens A.
Presentation Night will be held at the Vine Inn, Honiton on May 21st at 8pm.

Fixtures - April 7th

Dan Down Plate QF
Blacksmith Arms v Honiton Inn A, Vine Inn A v Vine Inn B, Feniton Soc A

snooker seaton & dist
Casuals caught

HONITON Wonderers recovered after losing the two opening frames against Chard Casuals to win 4-2.

Meanwhile, Chard IZZA i47s challenge for the runners-up place come off the rails with Colyton TC winning four frames and collecting six bonus points.

At Colyton the Feds inflicted yet another victory over Honiton WMC who are destined to collect the wooden spoon this season.

Results: Honiton Wonderers 4-0 Chard Casuals

2+0, Chard Izza147	2+0
Colyton TC 4+6,	Colyton Feds 4+0
Honitonm WMC 2+2.	
Table	Pld Pts
Wonderers	16 74
Colyton TC	17 56
Colyton TC	16 56
Chard IZZA147	16 54
Colyton ExCons	15 44
Chard Casuals	16 38
Honiton WMC	16 16

B.Miller Cup	Pld Pts
Colyton TC	16 126
Wonderers	16 84
Chard Casuals	16 82
Colyton ExCons	15 70
Chard IZZA147	16 68
Colyton Feds	17 68
Honiton WMC	16 28

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Dowlish & Donyatt FC



◆ **THE DODGERS:** Dowlish & Donyatt FC who are currently six points clear at the top of the Perry Street League Division Three and have two cup finals to look forward to when they take on Perry Street Reserves at Beaminster in the Bill Bailey competition next month, and Drimpton Reserves at Bridport in the John Fowler Final (date tba). Line-up, standing, from left; Keiran Rendall, Matty Riste, Ryan Baker, Nathan Doey, Steve Usher, Luke Knight, Matty Baker, Adam Payne, Chris Tanner. Front; Harry Brown, Luke Dopson, Andy North, Sam Grinter, John Bartlett, George Hayward.

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Rook flying off Brittany

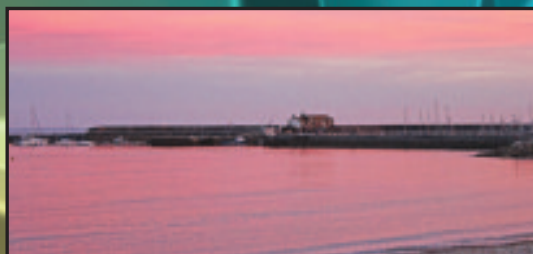
◆ **SOLO STAR:** Loders-based Mary Rook recently competed in her first solo offshore sailing event, the 342-mile Concarneau Trophée Guy Cotten, a non-stop, two-day race along the French Brittany coast, finishing in 19th position out of the 24 competitors. Also celebrating her 30th birthday at sea, Mary has written a blog of her experience of the race <http://www.maryrook.com/solo-con-carno-completion/>

"One of the best things about offshore sailing is the euphoria you feel on finishing, never has a shower felt so tingly and hair felt so clean, a cup of tea has never been so refreshing!" Rook's next race on the Figaro calendar is the 320-mile Maitre Coq that starts from Les Sables d'Olonne on the French Biscay coast on Friday, April 15th.

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